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Housing Problem

Of the Colony's manifold post-war problems, none is more complex or more difficult of equitable solution than that of housing. There was a time when the standard economic law of supply and demand was sufficient to correct any disequilibrium, but today there are several extraneous factors which affect our housing situation, both in the matter of sufficiency of accommodation and of rentals.

The necessity of controls was officially recognised immediately after Liberation. They were compelled because, although the population was relatively small, the ravages of war had deprived Hongkong of much of its domestic property. Since then the problem has become aggravated by reason of the tremendous increase in the Colony's population and also because building costs are high.

Government can be credited with striving to strike a fair balance, and amendments to the original Landlord and Tenant Ordinance have been adopted only after the most thorough examination of the pros and cons. Indeed the report of the McNeill Commission, on which most of the amendments to date have been based, was a model of fairness to all parties concerned.

NOW about to come into being is a new situation — legal recognition of monetary compensation for tenants who become dispossessed under Tenancy Tribunal orders whereby their residences are demolished to make way for new and more accommodation.

Government's proposal is that the award should be 60 times the standard rent, and widespread reaction to that has been it is inadequate, bearing in mind that the dispossessed tenants are virtually certain to be unable to find premises at similar rentals and will, therefore, have to move into overcrowded flats calling high rentals.

The Civic Association suggests compensation should be a limit of 120 times the standard rent, which limit should be reserved for special cases. The Association also disagrees with Government's proposal that landlords should reimburse dispossessed tenants for repairs and improvements which have been made at the tenant's expense. The Association suggests the tenants instead should be allowed to take with them fittings and fixtures which they have installed.

THE monetary compensation for dispossession which the Civic Association has in mind could reasonably be regarded as equitable, but the removal of fixtures and fittings does not appear as being practicable. They could not be installed in another building already fully equipped and their resale value in the second-hand market is not likely to produce an adequate return. It is a nice question which definitely calls for further official consideration before amendments to the ordinance are passed through Council.

Perhaps even more important is it for the ordinance to make quite clear that whatever form the amendments take they do not give a Tenancy Tribunal mandatory powers to order the dispossession of tenants merely because the same tribunal can make a compensation award. To a man on a fixed salary in the intermediate level, a tenancy within his means is more important than a solatium. This must be taken into account when relative hardship is being considered.

HARD GOING AT GENEVA

Big Four Up Against Two Tough Problems

ITEM FOUR ON THE AGENDA

The West Has Novel Proposals To Make

Geneva, July 21. The West will offer Russia during the Big Four disarmament talks starting here today new and "novel" proposals to minimise the risk of war.

Authorities said President Eisenhower, Sir Anthony Eden, M. Edgar Faure and Marshal Nikolai Bulganin would turn to disarmament, third item on their four-point agenda, after swiftly winding up their talks on Germany and European security today.

The talk about these twin problems will culminate, before the end of the week, in an instruction to the four foreign ministers to continue the search for the formula which has eluded the government heads themselves. This would attempt to lay the basis for solving simultaneously the problem of reuniting Germany and safeguarding European peace.

MORE HOPEFUL FIELD Many Western delegates believe that disarmament offers more hope as a field in which East and West can narrow their differences than others on the agenda.

The first intimation of new Western ideas came from President Eisenhower. In his opening address, he suggested that it might be possible, as a first step towards complete agreement on world disarmament, to decide measures which would eliminate any "surprise attack" by one power against another.

The Russians themselves have already mooted a method for preventing "surprise attacks." In addition to proposals of global disarmament, new ideas are expected to be put by the West for limiting the danger in Europe, where the main bodies of the opposing forces face each other across the "iron curtain."

SUGGESTIONS The talks about European security have thrown up suggestions from both sides which will probably be repeated at the conference.

The reintroduction of these in the disarmament debate would not carry the handicap of being linked to the German problem as was the overall question of European security.

One proposal likely to be examined more fully is that of Sir Anthony Eden's for a mutual limitation of forces in and around Germany. Another is the British Prime Minister's idea of a demilitarised area in Europe between the two power blocs.

Reuters. 20.7.55

Outlaws Captured

Algiers, July 21. A band of some 30 Algerian outlaws were captured and two others were killed by French paratroopers during a scuffle at Bordj in the Azures mountains yesterday.

Six rifles, an automatic pistol, two pairs of binoculars, 300 rounds of ammunition and some military uniforms were seized. — France-Press.

FISTS FLY IN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Washington, July 20. Fists flew in a name-calling session of the House Education Committee on Wednesday at which members defeated, 17-10, a move to deny federal school funds to states and local districts practising racial segregation. Members who declined to be quoted by name, said tempers already frayed by the segregation wrangle exploded. In heated remarks Rep. Adam C. Powell, Jr., Negro pastor of New York City, and Rep. Cleveland M. Bailey, Democrat, West Virginia.

Russia To Give Close Attention To Eden's Proposals

Geneva, July 20. The thorny problem of reuniting a divided Germany returned today to plague the Big Four heads of government at their meeting here and they agreed that it could not be separated from the over-all question of European security.

The German problem, ostensibly shelved yesterday after a fruitless afternoon of discussion, re-emerged today when leaders of Britain, France, the United States and Russia settled down to discuss the specific subject of a European security pact.

Finally they referred both topics back to their foreign ministers and told them to meet tomorrow morning and frame detailed proposals which would guide further study. The heads of government meet again in the afternoon.

Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, the Soviet Prime Minister, who today submitted a Russian proposal for a European security pact which would include both East and West Germany and possibly the United States, agreed somewhat reluctantly that Germany's future was linked with the larger problem.

The West wants Germany to be reunited now. Russia opposes this because of her fear that a unified Germany, like Dr. Konrad Adenauer's West German republic would become part of the West's defence complex.

Marshall Bulganin's proposals for a security pact were based on a plan put forward a year ago but amended to permit existing mutual aid treaties to continue until "the expiration of an agreed time limit." It would be open to all European states as well as the United States.

Marshall Bulganin said his government did not pretend that the project was perfect and was ready to examine other proposals.

In particular it would study carefully the proposals of Sir Anthony Eden for a European security pact. The British Prime Minister, on the opening day of the conference on Monday, suggested a security pact guaranteed by Russia, the West and a united Germany.

Although Marshal Bulganin yesterday appeared to rebuff the Eden plan his remarks today were echoed later by a Soviet spokesman at a press conference. The spokesman said "great importance" was attached to the British proposals.

The main differences appear to be whether a united or a divided Germany should accede to the pact and how many countries it should embrace. A British spokesman said today that Britain still attached priority to German reunification.

EDEN'S SUGGESTION Sir Anthony Eden, who was chairman of today's session, suggested the joint study of German reunification and European security.

He said Russia's proposals to include 26 nations might not be feasible in view of divergent interests but there might be a middle course between that number and the five-power pact he had proposed.

He said Britain would join any pact which would reassure Russia about the consequences of German reunification.

President Eisenhower said the time had come to ask the foreign ministers to settle the German problem.

According to accounts of the executive session, corroborated by several committee sources, Bailey charged Powell with seeking to destroy federal school aid legislation by insisting on an anti-segregation amendment.

In the ensuing exchange, the "No" was passed and Bailey leaped up and swung on Powell.

Informants said Bailey landed one or more blows on Powell before other committee members separated them.

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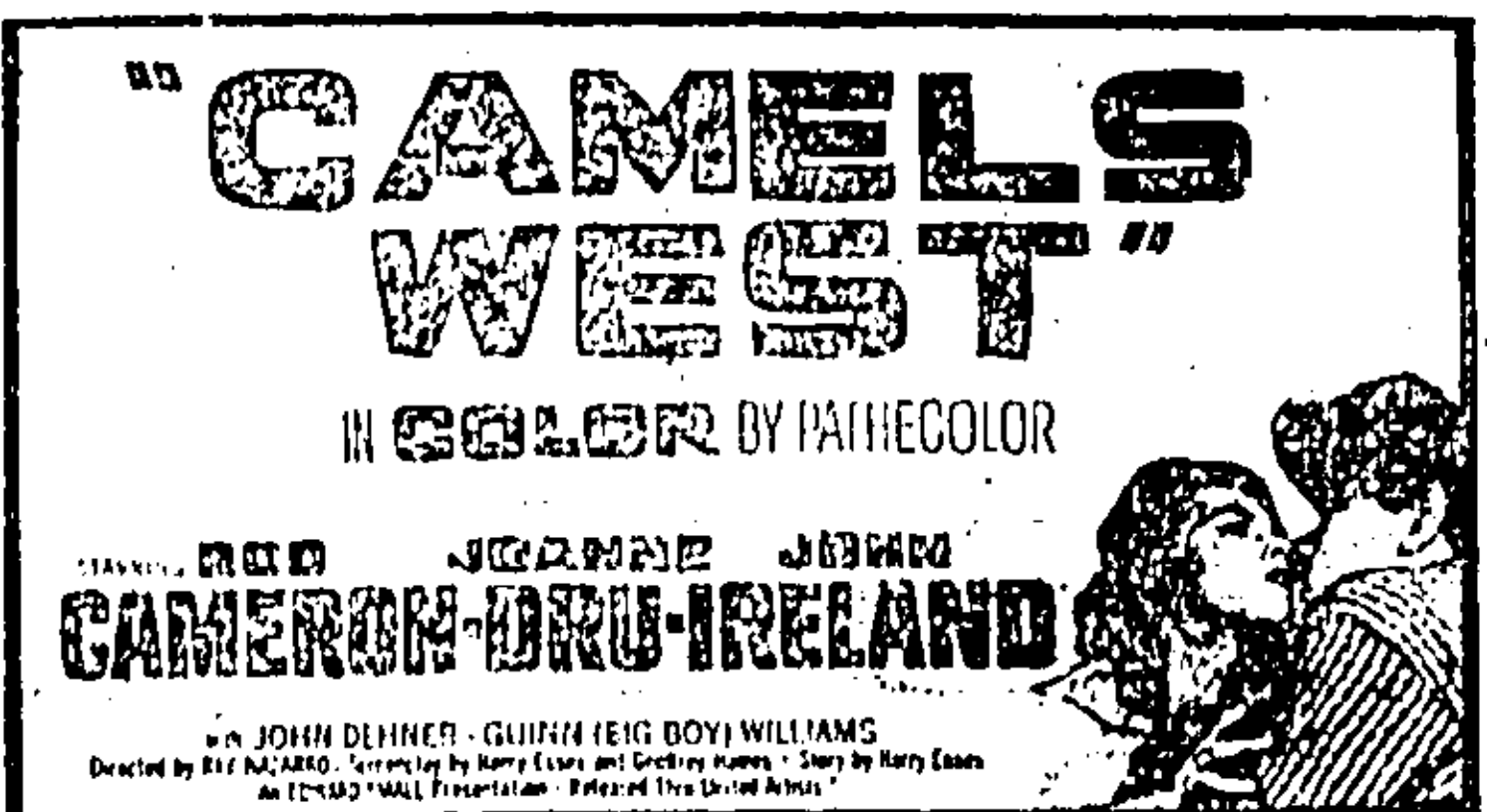
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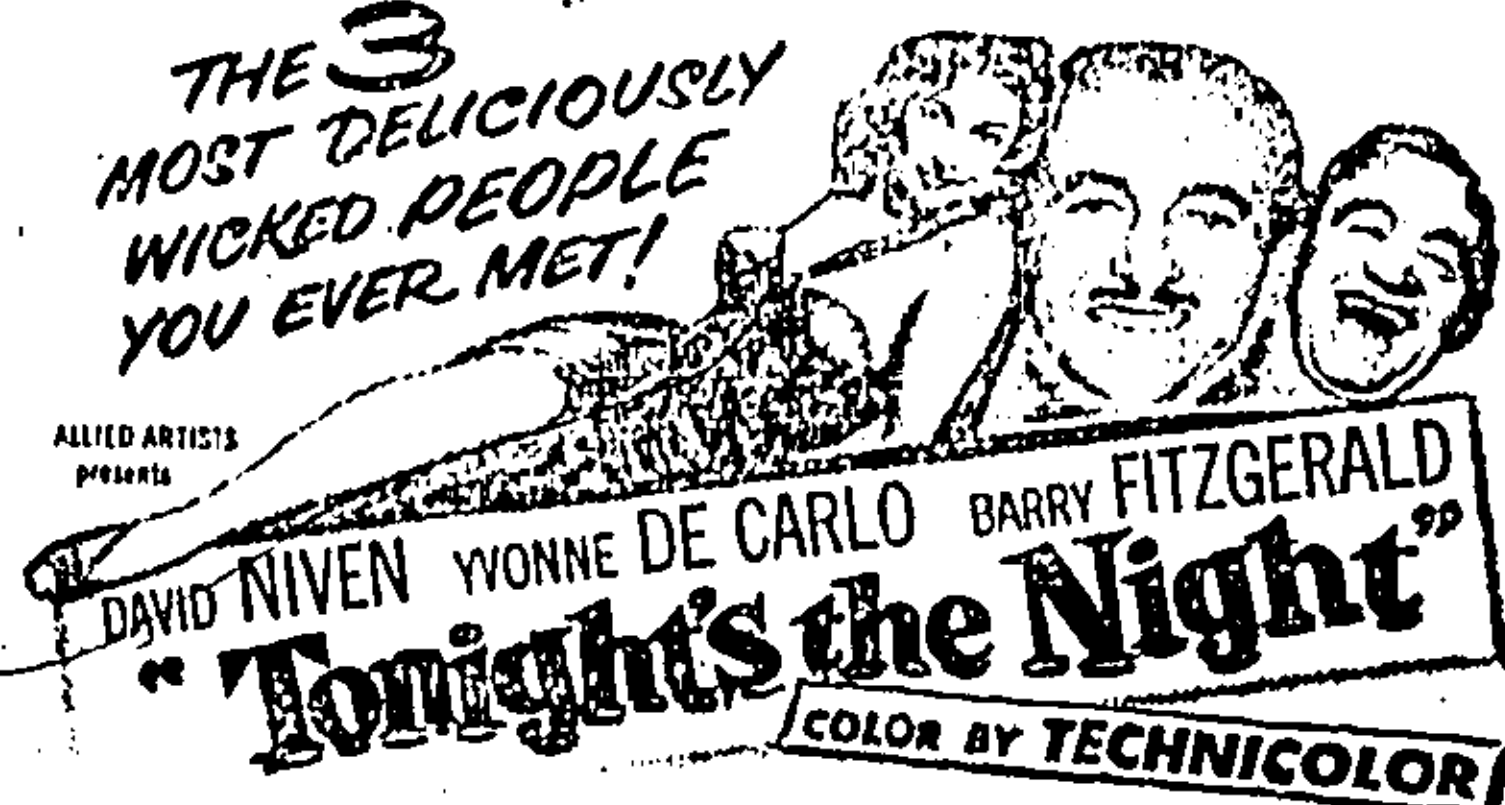
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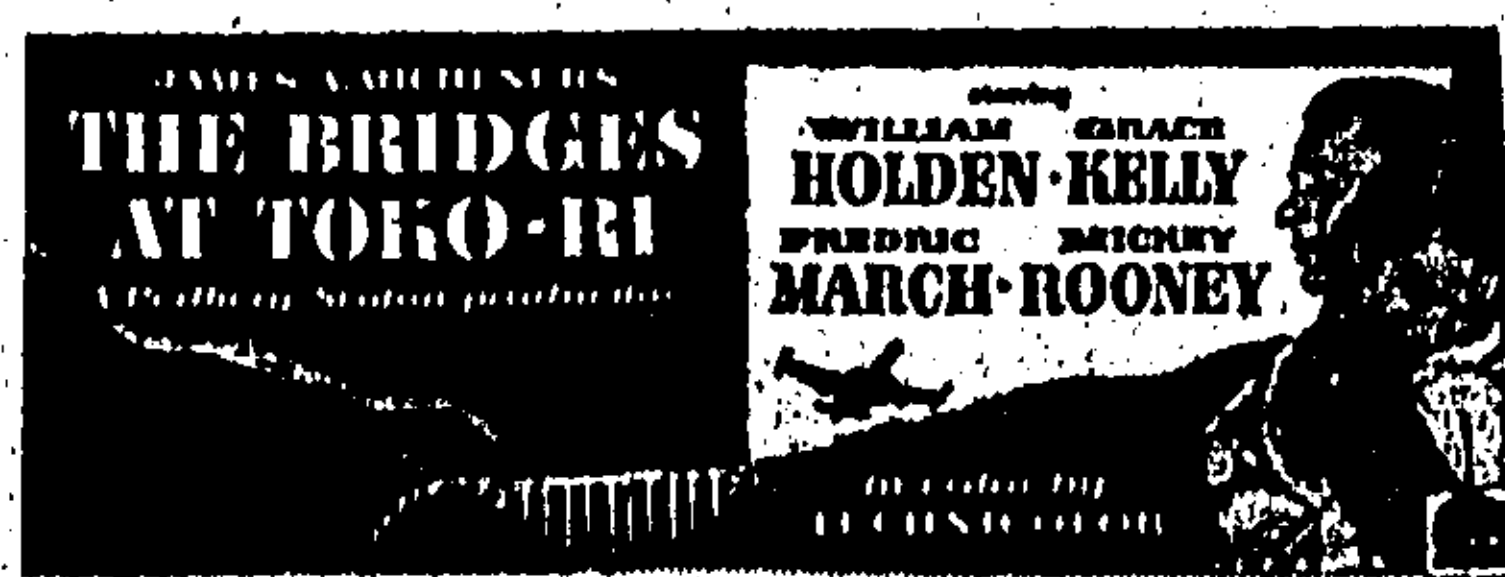
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PASSPORT DISPUTE BOILING UP IN AMERICA

Ike's Administration Unwilling To Force Showdown

Washington, July 20.

Instead of being over and a big victory for somebody, the dispute over the issue of United States passports to suspected subversives is only beginning to boil.

American citizens will learn, as the argument develops, that the United States has long had a tighter grip on their foreign travel than is imposed, for example, by Canada, France or Great Britain.

A footnote to that fact, however, is that all French and British security precautions against subversion are notably weaker than in the United States. Canadian security is rated good.

FDR ON RECORD

Americans also will learn that Mr. Franklin D. Roosevelt is vigorously on record in this dispute.

FDR lined up with those who would deny US passports to unreliable citizens. He issued an executive order in the penultimate year of 1938 expressly authorizing the Secretary of State "in his discretion to refuse to issue a passport."

Former President Harry Truman is similarly on record and his Secretary of State, Mr. Dean Acheson, made the stringent regulations effective through the passport division which was headed by the efficient and strong-willed Ruth B. Shipley.

Miss Shipley is cut from the Shipley pattern, which means that she will do everything in her power to prevent issuing a US passport to any individual who, on the balance of

evidence, may reasonably be judged to intend knowingly to advance the cause of communism.

The Secretary of State for 50 years, perhaps always, has exercised discretion in the issue of passports. However, before World War I it was not necessary to have a passport to travel overseas. Now it is. Under the regulations inherited by Miss Knight from the Roosevelt and Truman Administrations and, as the Eisenhower Administration wants them enforced, Miss Knight will keep American Communists and their active sympathizers at home, so far as the courts will permit.

The Eisenhower Administration avoided a legal showdown on the issue of a passport for Dr. Otto Nathan, a German-born professor at New York University and executor of the late Dr. Albert Einstein's estate. US District Judge Mr. Henry A. Schweinhaut ordered the State Department on June 1 to issue the passport and the order was supported by the United States Court of Appeals to the extent of ordering a further departmental hearing. The State Department ducked the question by giving Dr. Nathan his travelling papers, although under protest.

It had denied the passport on the grounds that Dr. Nathan had been a German Communist in 1933 and since had associated with Reds and their fronts.

Dr. Nathan denied membership but refused to swear he had not belonged to Communist front groups. The Department backed up against this month. It reversed a decision that a foreign news editor Mr. Joseph Clark, of the Communist newspaper Daily Worker, could not travel to cover the Geneva Big Four meeting.

After six years of refusing a passport, the Department issued one to Dr. Martin D. Kamen of Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, an atomic scientist formerly accused of Communist affiliations. His passport had been seized in 1947.

ROBESON CASE

Now comes Mr. Paul Robeson, the Negro singer, demanding a passport but refusing to swear he is not and never has been a Communist. The chances of Mr. Robeson's getting papers for travel in Europe are slight, although he was authorised yesterday to keep a recital engagement in Canada. No passport is required to cross that border.

The Administration's alternatives are these: 1.—Scrap the regulations whereunder the State Department has kept certain unreliable citizens at home. 2.—Select a good case and carry it to the Supreme Court. 3.—Appeal to Congress for more specific legislation on the subject.—United Press.

Bannister Receives CBE



Famous British athlete, Dr. Roger Bannister—the first man to run a four-minute mile—is seen leaving Buckingham Palace with his wife Moyra, after being presented with the CBE.—Express Photo.

Reserve Bill Expected To Be Passed

Washington, July 20.

Senate and House members were expected on Wednesday to have given tentative approval to a Military Reserve Bill that would force reserve duty on all men who go on active duty after the Bill becomes law.

The Senate-House conferees also reportedly were agreed on fixing six years as the minimum period of time to which all Americans of draft age are to be made subject to military duty. This would include time spent both on active duty and in the reserves.

Conferees said the Conference Committee had rejected the Senate-passed provision that would allow a \$2000 special reserve enlistment bonus to veterans who volunteered for three years in the reserves after completing regular active duty.

The Defence Department had asked that all Service veterans of draft age—18½ to 28—be made subject to duty with the reserves for a period that would bring a total of eight years of military service.—Associated Press.

LITTLE SURPRISE TOO MUCH

Stockholm, July 20.

A father at a maternity home at Jonkoping, central Sweden, took one look at his new first-born son and fainted with joy.

In falling he cut his head open on the edge of his wife's bed. Nurses wheeled him down to the operating theatre where doctors put five stitches in his head and revived him with smelling salts.—China Mail Special.

Investigation Moves From Rangoon To London

London, July 20.

The British Government officials and a Malayan Police superintendent on leave here have been interviewed in London in connection with the circumstances surrounding the death of a British petty officer strangled last March in a Rangoon hotel. It was announced today.

At the request of the Colonial Office Detective Superintendent George Miller of Scotland Yard's murder squad secured statements from the three officials which will be handed to the Colonial Office.

They had been travelling by air with the petty officer, William Nelson Miller, 30, of the British cable ship Retriever, shortly before he met his death. Miller was at first believed to have been electrocuted when he tried to plug in a bedside lamp at the hotel while his hands were wet. Medical investigations later indicated that death was due to strangulation.—China Mail Special.

Quake Shakes Ecuador

Quito, Ecuador, July 20.

A strong earthquake shook the mountainous centre of this South American country on Wednesday at 4.03 p.m. (6.03 am Thursday HK time). Initial reports said there were some injuries and heavy damage at the town of Cotacachi, 40 miles north of this capital.

The National Telegraph Department said the tremor caused the collapse of the new church of San Francisco at Cotacachi and that a majority of the homes in the town of 4,200 were damaged. Some injuries to residents were reported in this town, which the Telegraph Department called the quake's epicentre. There were no other immediate details. Some damage also was reported to a church and a school at Otavalo, 35 miles north of Quito.

The tremor was felt sharply in the capital, causing some alarm among the residents. There were no reports of casualties or damage in this city itself.—Associated Press.

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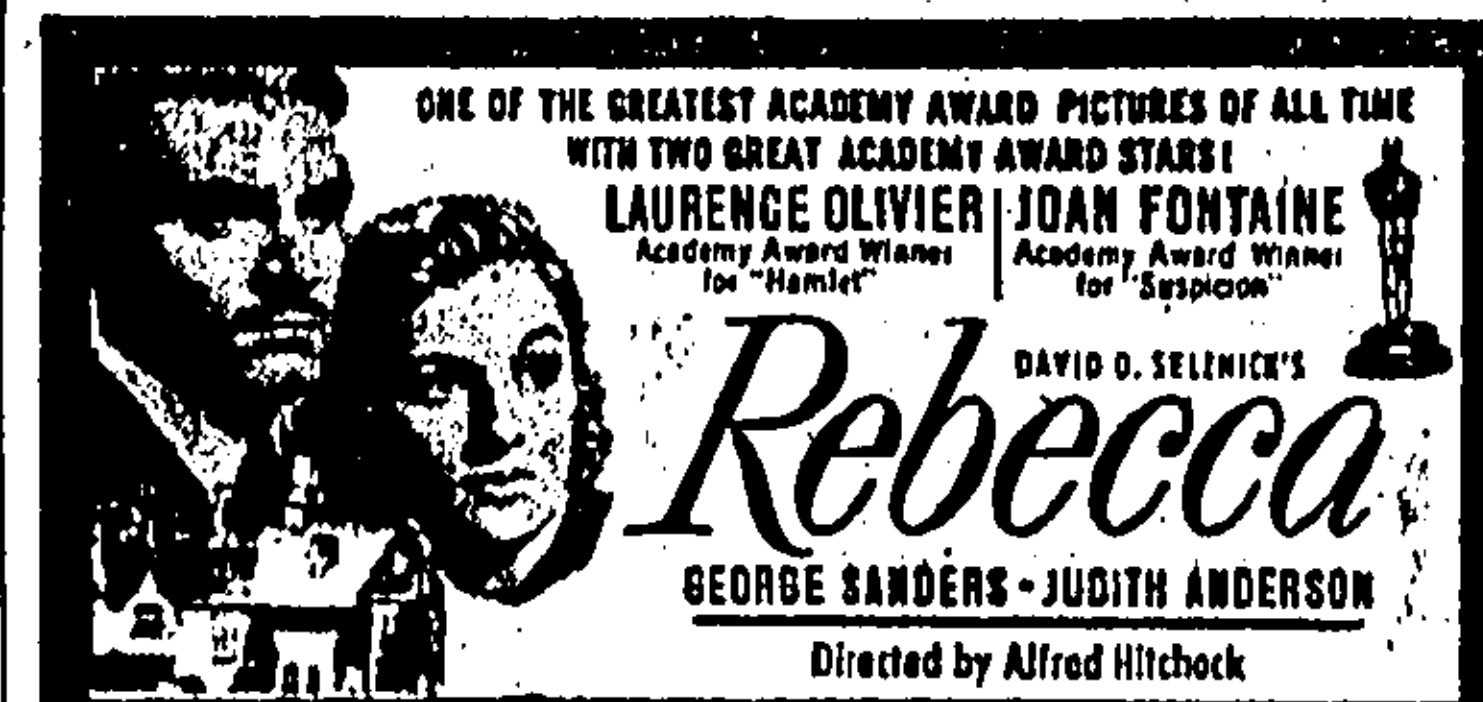
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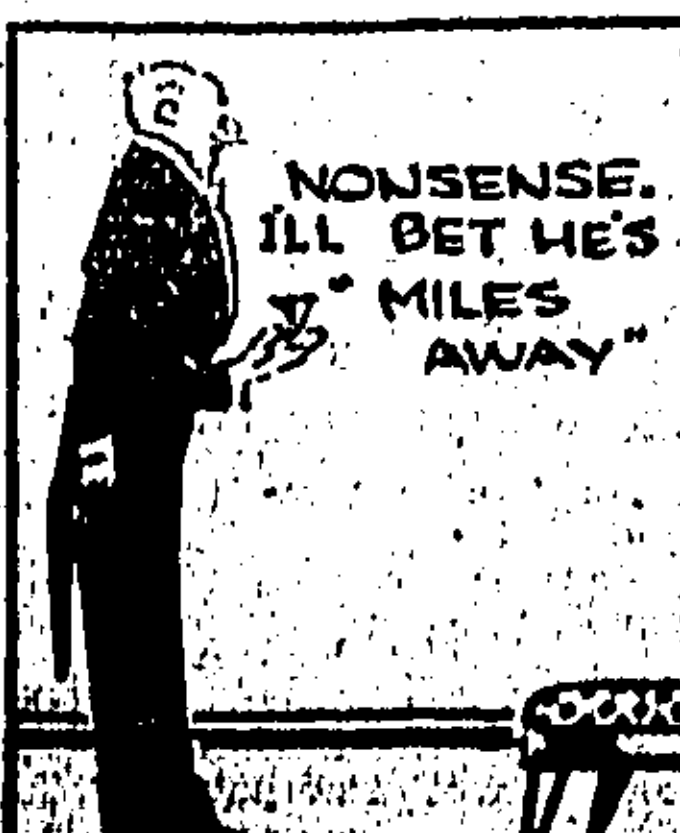
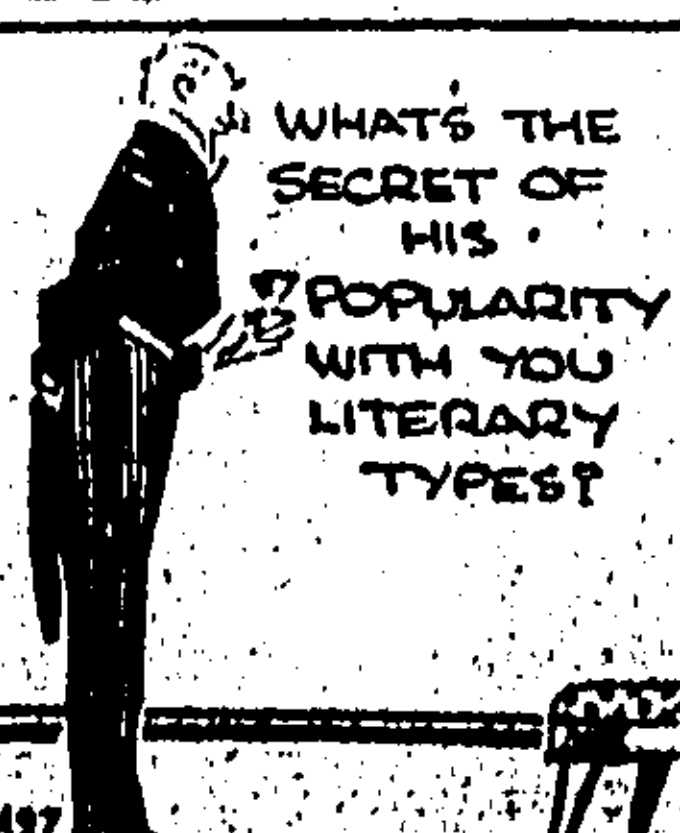
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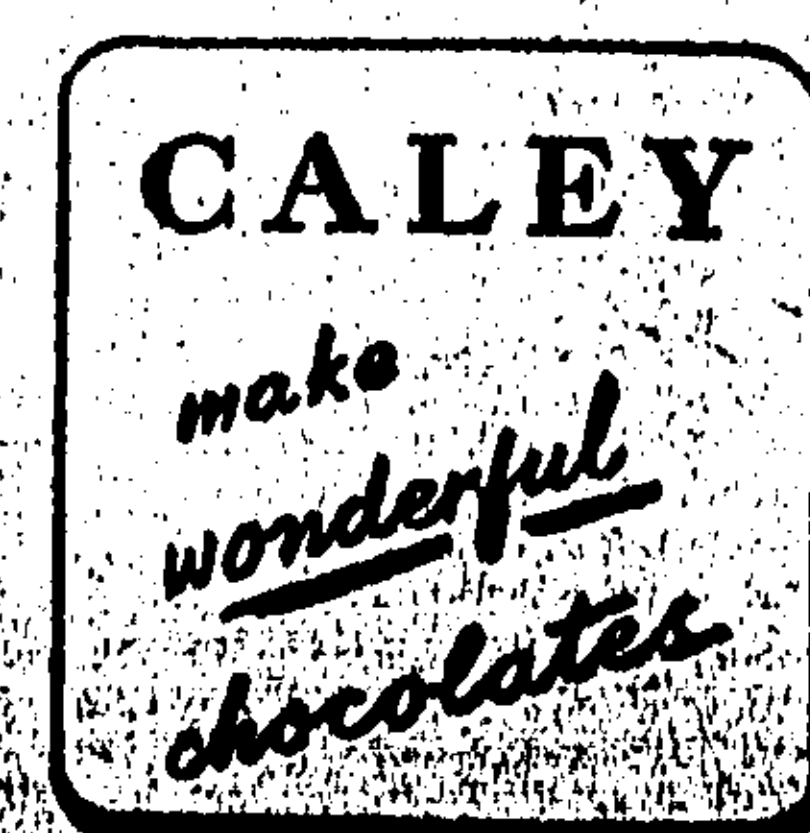
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CASABLANCA TOLL

Rabat, July 20. European and African deaths in Casablanca from July 14 to 18 have so far resulted in 48 killed and 200 injured, official French statistics revealed here today.

Of the 48 persons killed, the figures showed, twelve were Europeans, 35 Moslem Moroccans, and one Jewish Moroccan.

Of those injured 62 were Europeans, 177 Moslem Moroccans, 18 Jewish Moroccans, and three Moslem Algerians. — France-Press.

DR SHEPPARD

MURDERER BEGINS LIFE SENTENCE

Cleveland, July 20. PALE and stout from lack of exercise, Dr. Samuel H. Sheppard was led in handcuffs on Wednesday from the County Jail in which he spent almost a year.

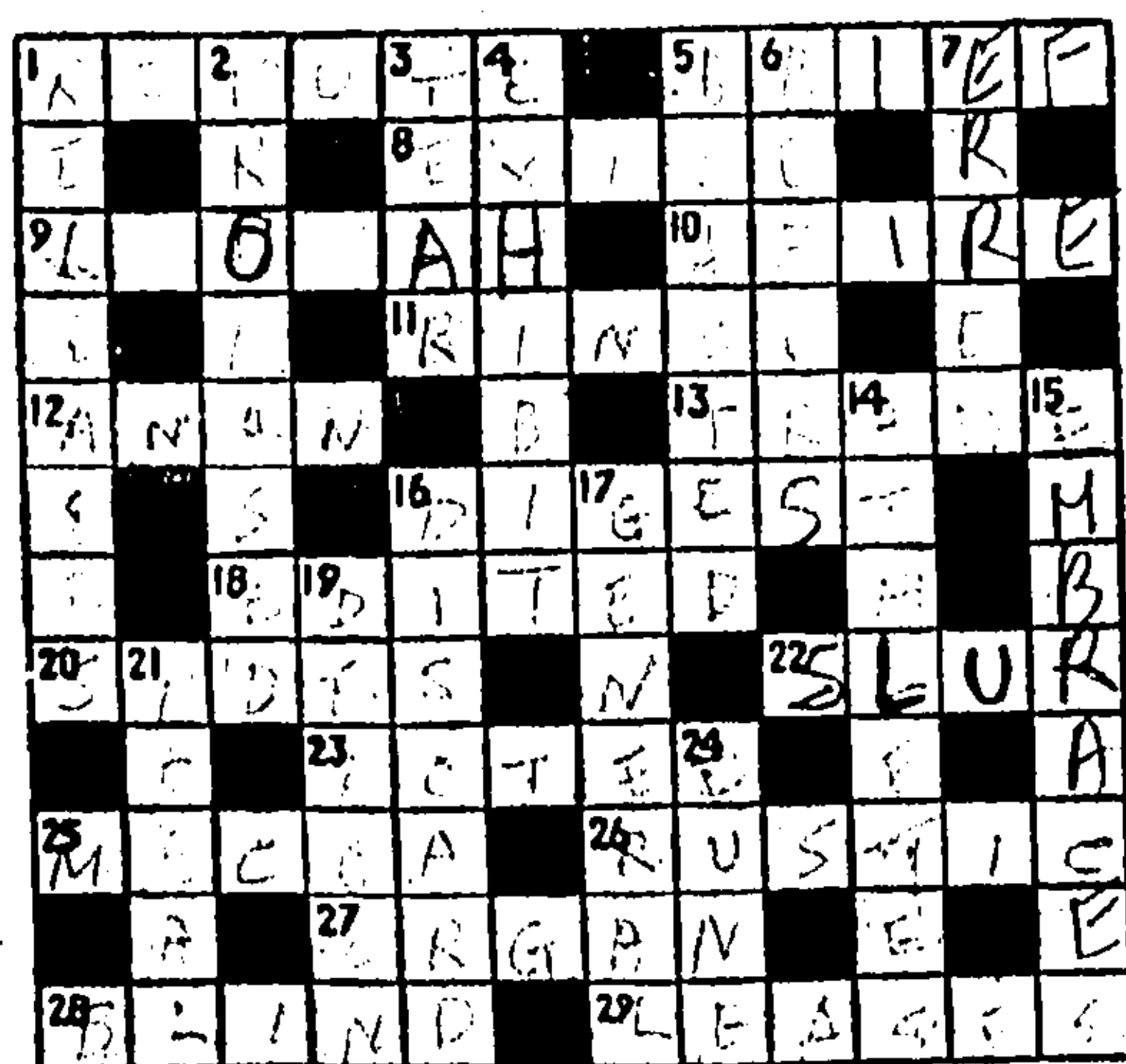
Shackled to a holdup man, the 31-year-old osteopath, convicted of the murder of his wife, marched through a crowd of newsmen and spectators to an automobile that sped him to Columbus to begin a life sentence at the Ohio Penitentiary.

Wearing a blue worsted suit and blue knit necktie, his six-foot frame gave the same sombre appearance it did during the 10-week trial that ended last December 21 when a jury found him guilty of murdering his wife, Marilyn, 31.

A Court of Appeals has rejected his plea for a new trial on grounds of alleged newly discovered evidence that a sex-crazed prowler committed the murder on July 4 of last year.

Dr. Sheppard shuffled out the jail door grasping a photograph of his son, 7-year-old Chip, who now is living with relatives. He also held a book of poems, "Hilltop Verses," by Ralph Spaulding Cushman. — Associated Press.

A British Crossword Puzzle



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| ACROSS | DOWN |
| 1 Fame (6). | 1 Liberates (8). |
| 2 Short (5). | 2 Suggested (8). |
| 3 Banish (5). | 3 Read (4). |
| 4 Bathroom accessory (6). | 4 Display (7). |
| 5 Bathing (5). | 5 Blew up (7). |
| 6 Wash out (6). | 6 Alludes (6). |
| 7 Before long (4). | 7 Went astray (5). |
| 8 Commence (6). | 8 Participants in sports (8). |
| 9 Summary (6). | 9 Threw away (7). |
| 10 Revived (6). | 10 Common (7). |
| 11 Terms (6). | 11 Clergyman (6). |
| 12 Slugga (4). | 12 Perfect (6). |
| 13 Played a part (6). | 13 Sand-hill (4). |
| 14 Place of pilgrimage (5). | |
| 15 Rural (6). | |
| 16 Musical instrument (5). | |
| 17 Sightless (5). | |
| 18 Letting contracts (6). | |

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 3 Hang, 7 Broad, 8 Apex, 9 Howl, 10 Despair, 12 Act, 15 Adder, 18 Agree, 19 Erase, 21 Model, 22 Slew, 23 Trail, 26 Grow, 29 Incubus, 30 Ruse, 31 Fins, 32 Loure, 33 Nose. Down: 1 Creel, 2 Rampage, 4 Adore, 5 Gale, 6 Neat, 9 Hide, 11 Adult, 13 Claw, 14 Staid, 16 Rude, 17 Smug, 18 Adze, 30 Returns, 32 Band, 34 Rise, 35 Slurry, 37 Rain, 38 Wren.

AFRO-ASIAN GROUP APPEALS FOR USE OF GOOD OFFICES

United Nations, July 20.

The 15-nation Afro-Asian group today called upon United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjold to use his "good offices" at the Geneva summit meeting to end the rioting in Morocco.

Mr Awni Khalidy of Iraq, spokesman for the group, said the 15 signers hoped that Mr Hammarskjold would approach French Premier Edgar Faure at the Geneva meeting in an attempt to halt the bloodshed at Casablanca and elsewhere in France's North African protectorate.

At the same time, Mr Khalidy disclosed, the Afro-Asian group decided to demand a full debate at next autumn's General Assembly session on the Moroccan question and on the problem of France's relations with Algeria, as well.

DEBATED BEFORE

Although the General Assembly in the past has debated the Moroccan and Tunisian situations and adopted hopeful resolutions calling on France to negotiate with the North African Nationalists, the Algerian question has never come formally before the UN for debate.

Mr Khalidy said at the end of a 90-minute closed-door session of the Afro-Asian group that the disorders in Casablanca prompted the members to urge Mr Hammarskjold to appeal directly at Geneva for help. Mr Hammarskjold is in Geneva, where he planned to "make himself available" to the Big Four heads of government who are holding their summit.

German Army Pay

Bonn, July 20. The lowest ranking soldier in the new West German Army will be paid the equivalent of £17, 5s, 6d, a month while a lieutenant-general will draw about £233, it was announced here.

Pay rates for the first 600 volunteers are contained in a government regulation expected to be passed on Friday by the Bundestag (Upper House). — China Mail Special.

meeting in the UN's Palais des Nations.

He said the group hoped that Mr Hammarskjold would seek out Mr Faure and French Foreign Minister Antoine Pinay to collect their aid in easing the Moroccan situation, but the message left the Secretary-General free to use any approach he favoured, apparently even an appeal to the Big Four.

"The Moroccan situation has been aggravated by recent developments in Casablanca," Mr Khalidy said.

"A telegram was sent today to Mr Hammarskjold in Geneva, drawing attention to the gravity of the situation in Morocco and asking his good offices in making use of the Big Four meeting in Geneva to bring an end to the bloodshed in Morocco."

He said the group was "not deterred" from putting the issues on the Assembly agenda by France's contention that its relations with its North African protectorates were domestic matters outside the jurisdiction of the UN.

"Algeria is entirely different from France," Mr Khalidy said. "Its people, its language, its traditions, its religion, have no connection with metropolitan France—except by conquest."

He said the Afro-Asian group had withstood pressure from many sources for the past year in refusing to put the Algerian question before the UN.

GOING AHEAD

"Now that the French Government has not done anything to meet their demands and the Nationalist movement keeps going ahead, the group feels obliged to put the issue on the agenda," he said.

The Afro-Asian group comprises: Afghanistan, Burma, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Liberia, Pakistan, the Philippines, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Thailand and Yemen. Ethiopia did not attend today's meeting. — United Press.

US CIVILIANS RELEASED BY RUSSIANS

Berlin, July 20. Two American tourists were held up for almost 24 hours by the Russians when they inadvertently crossed into the Soviet Zone of Berlin on an elevated train, the US Consulate announced today.

The Americans were Mr and Mrs Henry P. McKean. The Consulate reported that the McKean's erroneously boarded an elevated express train in East Berlin on July 18 which took them to the Soviet Zone.

At Griebnitzsee Station, just outside Potsdam, they were seized by Soviet soldiers and taken to Soviet headquarters in East Berlin.

At Soviet headquarters they were locked in a "padding" room overnight, they reported. They received a meal of rice and vegetables, the American officials said.

The couple told the American authorities they were not mistreated. They were released 19½ hours after their arrest and escorted by a Soviet soldier to an East Berlin subway station. — Reuters.



TRIAL OF ADMIRAL

Suspended Term For Auphan

Paris, July 20.

France's High Court of Justice today gave Admiral Paul Auphan a suspended sentence of five years gaol for wartime treason.

Admiral Auphan was Secretary of State for the Navy under the wartime Vichy Government.

Attacked Woman With Knife

Jamaican Youth Gaoled

Birmingham, July 20.

A 16-year-old Jamaican, Daniel Charles Davis, who came from Kingston last April, was sent to a junior penitentiary for training here for threatening a woman with an open pen-knife, emptying her purse and then kissing her.

Davis was said to have followed another woman, also at night, and to have caught hold of her threatening to cut her throat. He fled when she screamed.

"You and others who have come to this country and have received the hospitality of this country must at least behave themselves and at least leave white women alone and not attack them in the way you did," the judge told him.

Davis, who pleaded guilty to assaulting a woman with intent to rob her, was said to earn £2 12s 6d a week, out of which he paid £1 2s 6d for his Birmingham lodgings.

He told the police he carried the knife only to frighten the women.

"I had read in the papers that English women know about judo and I thought they would do that to me," he said.

FREE AND EASY

A probation officer told the judge that Davis had lived with his great-grandparents in Kingston. He had never worked and had lived a free and easy life wanting for nothing.

The judge told Davis: "The whole cause of your trouble is that in Jamaica until April this year you did not work, had too free and easy a life and never wanted for money."

"When you came to this country and found you could not get enough money to spend on your amusements, you took a knife and attacked women to get it. People who do that in this country have to be punished for it." — China Mail Special.

QUADS BORN

East London, July 20. Quadruplets were born to an African woman, Mrs Margaret Tukan, in hospital at Subur, near East London last night.

The babies are in an excellent state and reported to be doing well. The mother's condition is satisfactory. — China Mail Special.

Young Wife Hit With Stick

Granted Divorce

London, July 20. A 24-year-old Pakistan wife, Mrs Angela Mireille Diane Emmanuel, complained that on her honeymoon her husband lost his temper and struck her on the arm with a stick, the Commissioner said in the London Divorce Court.

Accepting her as a truthful witness he granted her a decree nisi (valid in six weeks time) on the grounds of cruelty by her 31-year-old husband, Mr Dharma Rajah Emmanuel, from Ceylon, who denied the charge.

The marriage took place in London in April 1950, and they had since lived here. The Commissioner said Mrs Emmanuel complained that her husband drank more than was good for him and used to strike her.

BATHER DRUNK

At Christmas 1952, she said, he was rather drunk, hit her and threw the Christmas cards on the fire. On another occasion he gave her a black eye.

It was quite clear that during a "terrible scene" in August 1953, Mr Emmanuel was attacking his wife.

"He got hold of her hair and it took his brother and another man all the strength they could muster to restrain the husband and get him away from her," Mrs Emmanuel left her husband, returned about a week later, but ten days after another incident.

By consent, custody of the child of the marriage was awarded to the husband. — China Mail Special.

After a period of continuous hot weather, sudden storm broke over Ascot on the third day of the famous race meeting. Over 100 people were injured by a flash of lightning which travelled along a wire fence encircling the course, bowling spectators over like nine pins. Mrs Barbara Hall, aged 29 of Reading, was killed. She was expelling her first baby in November and her husband Ronald was one of 60 taken to hospital. Doctors in top hats and morning coats ran across the course and kneeling in the mud and rain tended the injured. Normally Queen Elizabeth and other members of the Royal Family would have been present but because the Ascot meeting had originally been postponed she was at a Buckingham Palace garden party. This picture was taken as the rescue began. In the foreground as a casualty is lifted away on a stretcher, a nurse gives artificial respiration to save an unconscious mother. Ambulance men and police help others beyond. — Express Photo.

PEERS MAY BE FINED

London, July 20. An expert in constitutional law, Mr G. D. Squibb, said last night there seemed to be no reason in law why British Peers, who do not attend the House of Lords, should not be fined or committed to prison.

He was replying to questions by a Parliamentary committee set up to examine whether the House of Lords has power to bar some of its own members from attendance.

The object is to see whether the House can restrict its membership to Peers who attend and vote regularly as a first step to reforming its composition.

Mr Squibb, a counsel for the Crown in Peerage cases, said the ancient common law of Parliament on the attendance of Peers had not changed but no steps had been taken to enforce it.

There are more than 800 Peers in the House of Lords but only about 100 attend regularly. — China Mail Special.

PUT BACK

So the \$20,000 has been put back into the estate and will be divided for the poor, the band, the hospital, the monastery, the parish, the tomb and probably the unforgotten guard.

Politis died on November 20, 1949, at his home at Lake Saranac, New York. — Associated Press.

US CONGRESS HAS A CONSCIENCE

Washington, July 20.

The US Congress was told on Wednesday, as it has been told at intervals for 150 years, that its legislative conscience will not be clear until it sees justice done the victims of French privateers of 1794-1801.

What is involved is about three million dollars worth of claims by insurance companies and ship-owners for American ships and cargoes seized at sea during the stormy years when the new French Republic was fighting much of the world, and Napoleon was on the rise.

The claims are the remnant of a potential 35 million dollars whittled down through the decades by settlement and abandonment. About 1½ million dollars of the remnant is sought by two insurance companies, the Insurance Company of the State of Pennsylvania and the Insurance Company of North America.

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BEQUEST TO VIRGINS Executors Have Trouble With A Will

New York, July 20.

It appears that the needy virgins of Lefkas, Greece, will have to do without the interest from a \$20,000 bequest in their search for husbands.

Surrogate George Frankenthaler has removed the \$20,000 item from the list of distributions provided for in the \$102,000 estate left by Lefkas-born Panos Politis who built his fortune in the grocery business in the United States.

But first, Frankenthaler got word from two American executors and others in Lefkas that they just don't see how they can carry out Politis' wish to put the interest from \$20,000 to work yearly to help "four wholly destitute virgins provenly non-pregnant" find husbands. Said the executors:

"Should the Lefkas executors annually attempt selection locally of four wholly destitute virgins provenly non-pregnant, to assist the marriage thereof, both the committee of executors in Lefkas and the memory of the testator would be held up to perpetual ridicule and contempt, nullifying the laudable intent underlying the expunged trust."

IN GOLD MINES

Politis was born on February 16, 1883, spent his boyhood in Lefkas and then laboured in South Africa's gold mines before coming to the United States to set up a wholesale grocery business.

He retired in 1938. He then went back to Lefkas, saw the island suffer first under bombing raids and then a postwar earthquake, and decided he must do something about it.

In his handwritten will, written after he came back to the United States, he remembered Lefkas, saying: "You, my beloved, stay; I have made my wife and your children my children."

Setting aside \$10,000 for relatives he gave Lefkas the rest—\$1,000 to the poor on the day his body arrived back there for burial; \$20,000 to the island hospital; \$5,000 to the Lefkas band; \$10,000 in the trust, with interest going to the poor, and other amounts to the Monastery of Our Lady of the Revelation, and St George's parish.

For himself, he stipulated a \$5,000 tomb and a \$5,000 fund for a uniformed guard to superintend it.

These bequests, the executors said, were easy to take care of. Not so the virgin fund.

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It has been presented to the Natural History Museum in Gothenburg. — China Mail Special.

HK Resident Vice-President



MR. LAM CHI-FUNG

London, July 20. Mr. Lam Chi-fung of Hong Kong was elected one of the Vice-Presidents of the Baptist World Alliance at the Jubilee Congress here today.

Dr Theodore Adams, of Richmond, Virginia, was elected President. — Reuters.

Typhoon Fran Will Brush Tokyo

Tokyo, July 21. TOKYO and Yokohama braced themselves this morning for 70-mile-an-hour winds expected to be kicked off by Typhoon Fran headed up the eastern coast of Japan's main island.

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MY NIGHT IN ENGLAND'S MOST HAUNTED HOUSE WAS A LARK UNTIL.....

By ROBERT ROBINSON

IT had all seemed like a bit of a lark around 11.30 that morning. The sun was shining brilliantly in Fleet Street, and a I sat in a pub with some pals.

"Slaying the night in a haunted house," I said chirpily, "down in Suffolk. Place called Abbess Hall—fifteenth century. They're opening it to the public next Saturday—the most haunted house in England some people say."

My friends clapped me on the back and made ribald remarks. But one chap just said: "I'm glad I'm not going," and it rather took the edge off the joke....

SO FLAT. SO OPEN

I SET off by car with the sun still bright in the sky, driving out of London and into the Suffolk flatlands.

I have always been a little frightened of Suffolk. It is so flat. So open.

When land is open, things get in.

I swept down the green lanes, past the summer fields, and it seemed to me that the birds flew across the meadows more swiftly, more urgently, than I had noticed before.

Almost as if they were frightened of being caught out in the open when anything began....

The sun sank below the flat rim of the land as I drove through ancient Sudbury and

turned off towards the village of Newton Green.

It was quite dark when I reached Abbess Hall, and the moon was hanging in the sky like a half-sucked acid drop.

I looked up at the house—perched on a small hill, a mile from any human habitation.

"Come and see our ghost—if you can," Mr. Cecil Wells, a Sudbury solicitor, who owns (but does not live in) the house, had said. "It's quite empty. No one will disturb you."

AWFUL SILENCE

AS I say, around 11.30 that morning it had seemed rather a lark....

I started to push my way through the waist-high grass, damp with dew, flashing my torch on the empty windows. Everything was terribly still. A cricket started up in the grass near me—raaach—raaach—raaach—raaach—raaach.

I went in.

There was no light, for the generator was not working. I had brought candles and a torch, and I found my way into the main lower room, which boasted the biggest fireplace in the county of Suffolk.

I lit my candles, stuck them in the vast blackened grate, then set off to tour the empty house.

Huge oak beams soared away into the darkness above me. The floors creaked, and I held my breath irrationally fearful that someone might hear me. The beam of my torch lit up odd corners and old oil paintings, shone back at me from mirrors, threw long, sinuous, moving shadows....

I was uneasy.

I went to a window and stared out. A great black wood marched down to the back of the house right to the very door, and above it the moon floated, suspended in the awful, palpable, solid silence.

SECRET PASSAGE

BETWEEN this wood and the house so people say, a secret passage runs.

I went back to my candles. What could I do? I could only sit and listen.... listen, and hope to hear nothing. The candles sputtered but there was no other sound. I fell asleep.

I woke up with a start, feeling terribly cold, still listening.... my candles had gone out. I listened. Was it my imagination, the pulsing in my ears, or did I hear a soft swish-swish through the empty house?

The sound went on, and I sat still staring out through the window where a solitary bush shook in the night breeze.

I got up with my torch and explored the room. There was a small chest in one corner, and I opened it. Inside there were papers—little deeds, centuries old.

I took them back to my seat by the great empty fireplace, lit two fresh candles and thought to occupy myself by reading them.

In the candlelight I pored over the old brown script, picking my way through a variety of hands—hands that had belonged to lawyers' clerks long dead, clerks who had lived in the reigns of George III, George II, James....

ENOUGH....

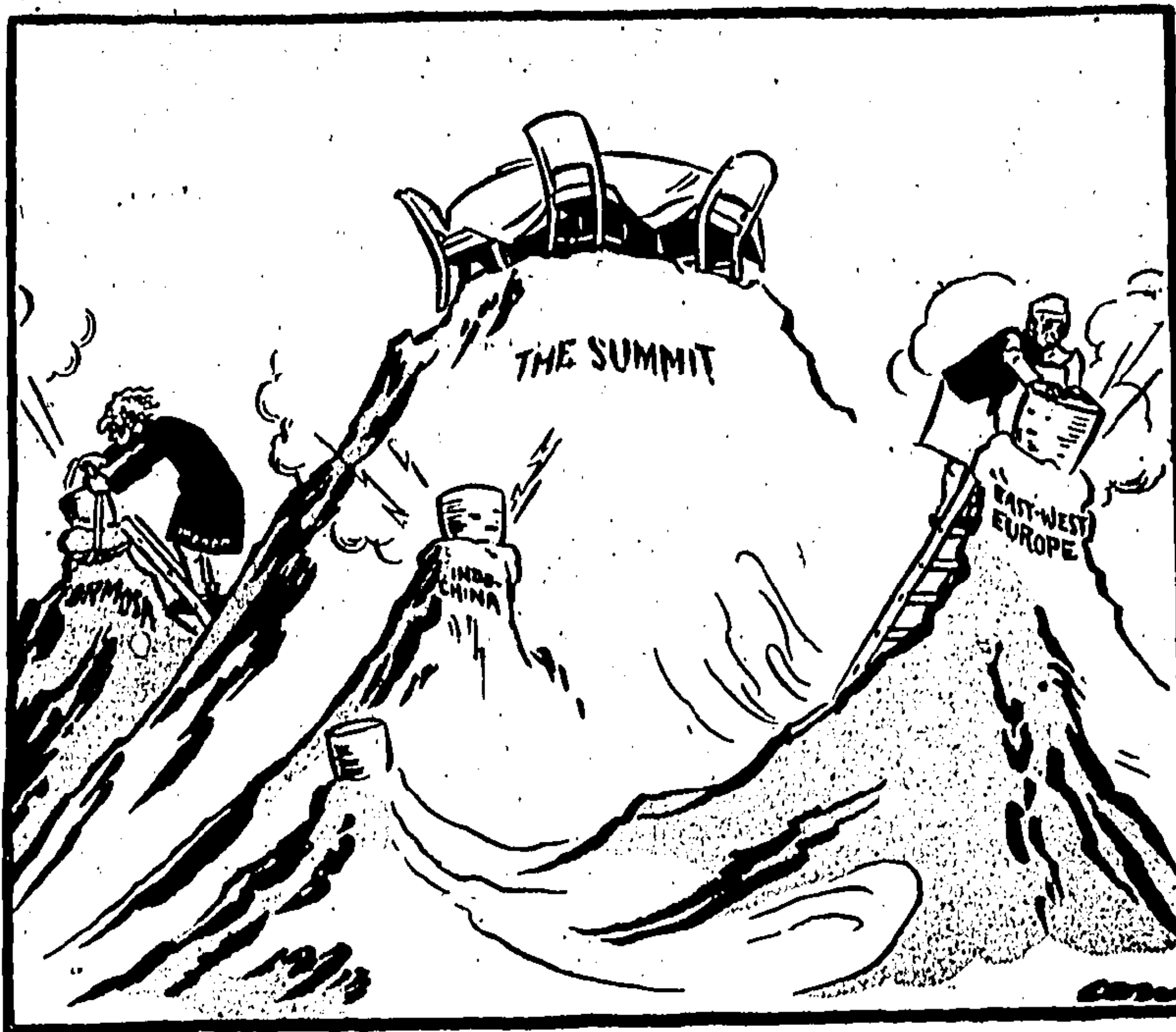
I CAME to the end of one tattered scroll and there, scrawled across the bottom, was a name. It was my own! ROBINSON....

I looked up. The swishing had begun again. I stood up and said out loud: "I've had enough...."

I walked to the door, opened it, and went out quickly into the sweet-smelling night plunging down through the soaking grass to my car.

I drove off as the first light of dawn shot down the sky and the mist was rising across the fields.

And I knew that the house HAD been haunted. Not by ghosts, not by death. But by fear.... MY fear.



THE MAKE-READY SQUAD

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CAPE COLD TO CAPE HOT

By RICHARD PAPE

Author of the best seller, 'Boldness Be My Friend'.

WELL, which would you have chosen — a cottage in the country or the toughest car trip in the world? I have made my choice. And that cottage in Sussex I had set my heart on will probably seem mighty pleasant when I am slogging the 14,000 miles from the Arctic to Africa.

Yes that is the trip — from North Cape, Norway, to Cape Town, South Africa. From Cape Cold to Cape Hot.

I set off on July 24 with my Norwegian co-driver, photographer, Gunnar Melle. I first met him five weeks ago. We drive the length of Norway, across Europe, across the Sahara at its hottest, through the Congo, the Rhodesias and the Union.

I want to show how wrong are the people like a big export firm director who said recently: "Surely there are no more world records remaining to be broken and, if there are, what is the use of breaking them?"

Plenty of use. For I am making this trip in a British car, and British cars can do with a boost just now. It is a purely personal mission — let me stress that. It is not sponsored in any way. I paid full price for the 22 h.p. car we are taking.

How long will the whole trip take? Less than a month, we hope, that is quite long enough on the diet.

Sardines, glucose, and biscuits those will be the main ingredients.

We hope, naturally, to get something out of the trip for ourselves. Gunnar is taking £5,000 worth of camera equipment to make a documentary film. That will be his reward. Mine? I shall write a book about it. Maybe in that Sussex cottage.



Richard Pape



UNDER the MISTLETOE

• All the stories in this could-be-true series might have happened. But did they? Can YOU tell the truth from the fiction? Tomorrow the answer will be published.

LANORY led us along the edge of the forest to an open grassy level....



Drawing by Howell

by COLIN WILLS



ATHENS, Africa, Cyprus, the Pacific War, I think of a place and you will probably find Colin Wills has not only been there but told millions of BBC listeners about it. One of his most memorable programmes was 'Sentimental Journey' 1944, when he said out loud to the French people he had met four years earlier as a war correspondent.

Born at Townsboro, Queensland, 47 years ago, Wills represents the colonial spirit in reverse—coming from the Australian bush, where he was once a boundary rider, to settle in St. John's Wood, where he lives with his second wife and daughter.

Yellow torrents

A few months later it did this, but in that rainy November the Alsace Plain seemed very far away, and the forests of the Vosges, bristling with German strong points, appeared a most redoubtable barrier.

The rivers that wound through the valleys were frothing yellow torrents, the roads that cropt around the pine-clad flanks of the hills were themselves like rivers; the armour slithered and bogged in tides of mud. Apart from artillery duels which seemed to achieve little but destruction of timber, fighting

was reduced to innumerable skirmishes in the dark woods, and infantry attacks in villages and valley farms. Our hopes of progress sank even lower when one day a communique announced: "Snow has begun to fall in the High Vosges."

Nevertheless, the atmosphere of the 'Armee de Lattre' was anything but despondent. The French were fighting on their own soil again; for them, every hour was a new adventure. And they were determined that we Allied correspondents should not have a dull moment.

Every morning, as soon as we had sent off our reports on the military situation, the officers of the Press Service would present themselves to individual correspondents, or to groups who usually worked together, and demand: "Well, now, what would you like to see something interesting today?"

Something interesting invariably meant something hazardous. If one's conducting officer were Captain Sarraz, that flamboyant, rollicking ex-Maquillard from the Midi, it might well mean a hair's-breadth escape from being made prisoner. Sarraz loved baiting German outposts.

On the other hand, if one set forth with Lieutenant Lanory, that gentle, modest soul whose manner seemed more suited to a seminary than an army Press Service, the expedition would

begin quietly, with a few remarks about the scenery, a chat about families, and a diffident order now and then to the Jeep driver.

But it did not do to be deceived by Lanory's manner. Lanory had a proper sense of his duty, which, as he saw it, was to take his correspondent where he could see something interesting.

On one delightful morning, when the rain had stopped and the clouds had lumbered aside

Needless risk

The Jeep driver, a somewhat sour and cynical type, made a suggestive noise with the bolt of his rifle, and an even more suggestive noise with his lips. Obviously he didn't like it. Neither, at that moment, did I. I think most correspondents feel comfortable enough when busy covering big events, but less so when merely idling around the front line to "see something interesting." However, the mood of foreboding passed, as it always did when I was with these French conducting officers. Their naive joy in trying to

please us by exposing us to needless risk of destruction was truly touching, and their excitement, their valour and their honour provided a better Dutch courage than Kirsch or Mirabelle.

Lanory led us along the edge of the forest to a sort of spit or peninsula of trees ended in the midst of an open, grassy level. On all sides, the wooded hills rose silently overlooking us. The lieutenant leaned towards me and whispered: "This is the true front line, here." Much as an English squint might say to a guest: "This is the best view in the county."

"Where are the troops?" I asked.

He pointed across to another jutting spur of forest.

"There's a French outpost in there."

"And the Germans?"

"Oh, the Germans."

Riflemen...

He pointed straight ahead, then to the right of us, then to the left.

"They are there.... and there.... and there...."

As though to lend credence to his words invisible riflemen opened up from all three sides. There wasn't much fire, but enough to cause a certain amount of bullet-whistle and snaking of twigs. I expected a retirement toward the Jeep. Instead, Lanory dashed from the edge of the wood and sprinted across towards where he said the French outpost was. I looked at the driver. The driver gave the most violent shrug I have ever seen. Lanory's eyes told the truth. He disappeared, and ran after his lieutenant. I followed.

Tall trees

When we got to the outpost, it was deserted. There were three rifles, a French steel helmet of the 1914 pattern (equipment was short) and some blood on the leaves. The outpost had been shot-up, and the troops had retired, taking their wounded.

Lanory was not at all perturbed and strangely enough, neither was I. His sweet calm was infectious. He wanted to show me one more section of the line—the flank of the hill on our left. Very interesting indeed. He told the driver to circle back to the Jeep and meet us at a rendezvous some miles off. Then he pointed out to me the way we should follow, across the grassy level to the hill.

We were to walk beside a line of tall trees that rising across the clearing almost as though they had been planted as part of an avenue. He thought we should be visible to the enemy.

and anyway, there were the tree-trunks.

I looked up at the trunk of the nearest tree, and then at its branches. There I saw a great hanging garland of mistletoe. All at once the whole absurd mixed-up feeling of Christmas came around me like a cloud of warmth and light. The childish hilarity, the disgust of commercial Christmas, the booziness of Christmas Eve in town, the ghostly hint of a true mystery somewhere behind the banality.... and the horrible irony of a season of good will in wartime.

Fact of war

But this is the oddest part of this story. I cannot remember when it was I wanted a piece of mistletoe. That is, I know I wanted it to send home to my small daughter, but why? Was it scarce in England? I can't remember. Anyway, I said quite idly to Lanory, who was looking at me rather meditatively, that I wished I could find a piece near the ground. Before I realised what he was doing he was up the tree.

There was a renewal of the rifle-fire, but I could not tell whether it was aimed at the man in the tree. For his part, he obviously neither knew nor cared. Rifle-fire was a fact of war.

He reached the mistletoe, cut off a large piece, and threw it down. I walked where a piece had fallen in the long grass. It had flattened down the grass in a rough circle, and there, in the centre of the circle, was the wicked little firing-pin of a mine.

Something made me advance, very cautiously, along the line of trees, peering into the grass. A line of mines followed the line of trees; followed our projected path. Only the trunk of my handkerchief for a bit of mistletoe had stopped us from advancing to an absurd and purposeless obliteration.

"Lanory," I said to him, when he came and stood beside me, looking down at the first mine, "today you have really shown me something very interesting indeed."

He smiled, and took out his notebook.

"I must tell the engineers," he said.

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DON IDDON'S DIARY ALL AMERICAN EYES ARE ON THE SUMMIT AND ON EDEN

New York, Tuesday. THIS country, at first apathetic towards the summit conference, is now immensely interested. I see that some people are comparing the Geneva meeting to the conference of Alexander I. of Russia and Napoleon on a barge in the Niemen; to the meeting of Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany and Czar Nicholas on a yacht in the Baltic; and to the conference of Edward IV. of England and Louis XI.

This is all a bit too much for the average Joe sweating in New York's 95deg. temperature and the blast-furnace humidity. He was never very keen on the President going to Geneva in the first place, and theorized that Mr. Eisenhower was merely doing his friend Sir Anthony Eden a favour. My barber, who is a Hungarian said to me: "He should stay away from Europe. You can't trust them Europeans."

Mr. John Foster Dulles, who had been doing so well lately, left for Geneva after a chest ailment from the Press.

Every commentator agrees that it was bad diplomacy and particularly ill-timed to publish Mr. Dulles' testimony before a Congressional Committee in which he said the Communist system "is on the point of collapsing." This hardly is the right way to make the Red side amenable.

Only a few months ago I heard Americans going around and talking as if every Russian was an 8ft. tall superman loaded down with hydrogen bombs and with a spy system that had infiltrated every branch of the U.S. Government.

OTHER EXTREME

Now the U.S. much calmer and surer of itself, is in danger of going to the other extreme and appraising the Russians as weaklings, suffering from all sorts of maladies including malnutrition. There are even future headlines here: "How near is Russia to revolt?"

Under the bureaucratic arrangements of the State Department Office of International Conferences the President's food allowance is officially only seven dollars a day, which would, of course, hardly meet his breakfast bills.

The O.I.C. has been carrying the American part of this con-

ference for months and according to U.S. foreign correspondents in Geneva has really got things in a tangle. Accommodation has been one of the big problems and there has been the touchy matter of wives accompanying delegates.

The Secret Service has gone to elaborate lengths to protect the President. He has more guards than President Roosevelt, who was immobilised by inflexible paralysis had during wartime at the Quebec conference.

If the conference is a success the President is expected to urge again the construction of an atomic-powered merchant ship which will sail around the world as part of the "atoms for peace" programme.

Geneva is commanding greater attention here than either Potsdam or Yalta did. I got the impression that the Americans are looking to Sir Anthony Eden to be the outstanding personality of the conference. Already there is a lot of talk about the Eden Plan and the public here has been reminded that no one at Geneva has "the Eden quality and experience as a diplomat and statesman."

Two-way traffic across the Atlantic is at its peak—just

now. Mayor Robert Wagner and his blonde wife are back with kind things to say about the cleanliness of London streets and the quiet of the traffic in Paris and Rome.

The mayor said: "I have always been willing to learn from Europe if it has anything to teach us."

This is a stimulating change of view from that of most returning Americans.

COOL GIRLS

We have not only had a temperature for days around 95, but we've had suffocating humidity in which you pant and gasp, taking in almost more moisture than air.

I am very impressed by the cool grooming of the American girls and matrons with their bronzed, buns backs and arched, meticulous make-up, their bright-coloured linen, cotton and nylon dresses.

Even when the thermometer is blowing its top, the amazing New York girls look as cool and discomfited as a mint tulip in a Plaster's Pouch. I am afraid I cannot say as much for the average American male, who, in his attempt to keep the "Edenish" hair gone in for the most "moderately" hairy-chesteded, unregarded mackintosh with-

THE AAA CHAMPIONSHIPS ATHLETICS IN BRITAIN NOT DEPENDENT ON THE "STARS"

The heading to this account of the AAA Championships at the White City, London, last week-end is the same as that which appeared in The Times. Some of the established "stars" came through at the Championships and some did not, some just came in by the skin of their teeth, but the essentially pleasing feature of the meeting was the series of great performances by comparative newcomers to the Championships.

The race of the Championships was undoubtedly the 880 Yards final and here Ronald Henderson of Elswick Harriers came very near to upsetting Woodford Green AC's Derek Johnson, the fastest man Britain has ever produced for the "Half".

In a very competitive field, Henderson was boxed in in a tight finish and was boxed in tightly behind Johnson in the last 20 yards to the tape. He still managed to clock the same time—1 minute 51.4 seconds—as Johnson, who later received an official warning for "cutting in."

Johnson a few weeks ago in an article on his training methods in Athletics Weekly suggested that the maximum field for the Half Mile should be six. There were eight at the White City and the result of the race only proves how right Johnson was.

Behind Johnson and Henderson came the Australian, John Douglas, in 1:51.9, Donald Gorrie of Scotland in 1:52.0, N.A. Lloyd of Mitcham AC in 1:52.6 and R. J. Mackay of Horney St Mary Harriers in 1:52.8.

Thus 1.4 seconds separated the first six and the last 200 yards must have been frustrating to those running in the inside lane.

RECORD "QUARTER"

The 440 Yards final resulted in a blanket finish between Peter Fryer of London AC, the holder, running his first really competitive Quarter Mile of the season, and his teammate, Michael Wheeler, both of whom clocked 47.7 seconds for a new English native record.

Breaking the English native record and setting a Championship best performance is no mean achievement when one considers that such great names as Arthur Wint, A. G. K. Brown, Bill Roberts and Geoffrey Hampling have not been able to do so well at the Championships.

Third was Peter Higgins and fourth J. T. Wright, both of Southgate Harriers, in 48.5 and 48.7 seconds respectively, fifth place going to Terence Higgins of Heine Hill Harriers in 48.8 seconds.

Fryer's victory only served to prove how sound his early season policy had been of building up speed by concentrating on the furlong. He had brought his best 220 Yards time down from 22.1 to 21.7 seconds and this success paid a handsome dividend in the final. But young

Michael Wheeler is even more promising.

SPRINT SURPRISES

The progress of Eric Sandstrom of the RAF in the sprints had been noted by several athletic commentators, but it came as quite a surprise when he won the 100 Yards final in 10.0 seconds and finished second to George Ellis in a 22-second 220 Yards, both being caught in the same time.

As happens often enough at the Championships, a school-boy appeared from "nowhere" to take third place in the 100 Yards final, A. C. Thomas of Mill Hill School clocked 10.1 seconds behind Sandstrom and Rumania's Ion Wieschmayer, R. Holtum of Belgrave Harriers was an even as surprising fourth, ahead of Karim Olowu of Nigeria and Orion Young of Bermuda.

A competitor in this event who did not reach the final was N. Fontyn of Burma. Fontyn, however, had the satisfaction of running the fastest heat in 9.9 seconds.

A feature of the 220 Yards final was shunting of the very promising Michael Rudy into fourth place by George Ellis, Eric Sandstrom and W. Henderson of Bowwell AAC. Clay Gibbs of Trinidad was fifth and Brian Shenton of Polytechnic Harriers, once European Champion, was sixth. Three-tenths of a second separated the six.

Heat times in this event had been very good, Sandstrom and Henderson returning 21.7 seconds and Shenton and Ellis 21.8.

NO COMPETITION

The longer runs were disappointing. The Mile was run at a slow pace except for the final quarter, Brian Hewson winning in 4:05.4 from Ken Wood (4:06.2), Brian Jackson of Essex Deagles (4:08.0), Ralph Dunkley of Polytechnic Harriers (4:08.8), John Evans (4:10.0) and Ian Boyd (4:11.0).

The temperature of over 80 degrees did not help the distance runners and all six Mile finalists have run faster this season.

Chris Chataway won the Three Miles in 13:30.0 quite comfortably from Derek Ibbot-

son of the RAF and Longwood Harriers (13:37.0) and Brian Barrett of the RAF and Surrey AC (14:40.0), who were followed in by Ken Caulder of Surrey AC (16:59.2), Mitchell Maynard of Heine Hill Harriers (14:01.0) and Tom Harwood of Queen's Park Harriers (14:03.0).

The Six Miles, a race badly spoiled by the heat, was featured by another Gordon Frie who collapsed, this time in the very last lap while in the lead, and Ken Norris won, as expected, though in the slow time of 29:00.0, with Frank Sando, as expected, second.

A CURIOSITY

A curiosity of athletics is the sudden return to form of an athlete after two or three indifferent seasons. John Disley (Bronze medalist) and Chris Easher both surpassed themselves in the 1952 Olympic Games Steeplechase at Helsinki, but have in the past three years taken a back seat to such prospect as a few weeks ago by Eric Shirley and K. E. Johnson.

Last Saturday it was, surprisingly, Disley first in 8 minutes 56.6 seconds for a British all-comers and British national record and Chris Easher second in 9:59.4 to equal the English native record set up a few weeks ago by Eric Shirley (Disley is a Welshman).

Third was Shirley in 9:03.4, fourth Johnson in 9:05.4, fifth Roger Dunkley of Shaftesbury Harriers in 9:08.2 and sixth Eddie Hardy of Derby and County AC in 9:13.4. It had been a great race all the way among the first five, with Disley opening up to establish a good margin of victory in the final lap.

GOOD HURDLING

In the 220 Yards Hurdles, the British and English native record fell to Paul Vine in 23.7 seconds with Robert Shaw second in 23.8 seconds and Dennis Merrett third in 24.7.

Shaw won the 440 Yards Hurdles in 52.2 seconds for a best Championship performance from Mike Savell of Rumania (52.0), Tom Farrell of Loughborough College (53.0) and Harry Kane of London AC (53.2).

Parker won the 120 Yards Hurdles in 14.0 seconds from Ian Opris of Rumania (14.6), Peter Hildreth (14.7), Chris Higham (14.8) and Paul Vine (14.8).

Ken Wilmsbury of Walton AC won the Hop, Step and Jump with a good 49 feet 9 1/2 inches and Paul Engo of Nigeria was second with his best ever performance of 49 feet 1 1/2 inches. D. W. Field of Birchfield Harriers was third at 47.2 1/2.

POOR IN THE FIELD

The less said about the field events the better. It had been one of Britain's most promising seasons in the throwing events, but no one of many promising throwers was anywhere near his best last week-end.

Mark Pharoah won the Discus Throw at 156 feet 7 inches, Dumitru Zamfir of Rumania the Javelin Throw at 222 feet 9 inches, Bill Calmer the Shot Put at 49 feet 7 inches and Ewan Douglas the Hammer Throw at 185 feet 5 inches.

Nigeria's Karim Olowu turned in his best leap of the season to take the Long Jump at 24 feet 2 inches. He was the only finalist over 23 feet. Scotland's Bill Piper surprised a mediocre field in the High Jump to win at 6 feet 3 inches and Geoff Elliott won the Pole Vault at 13 feet 6 inches.

Hutton Buys Mansion To Coach Boys

Len Hutton, ex-captain of England, has bought a 12-room mansion with three acres of ground. He plans to convert the land into a cricket ground where he can coach schoolboys—free of charge.

Len will move from his three-bedroom home in Putney to Thornbury, a detached stone-built house in Galloway Lane, half a mile away.

Thornbury was owned by the late Mr. George Womersley, a millowner.

Says Len: "I hope to move in before the end of this year, but it may be two or three years before the cricket ground is ready."

THIS ONE WENT 120 YARDS



Winslow, who scored a maiden Test century, made some terrific hits during his innings for South Africa against England in the Third Test Match at Old Trafford. The hit with which he passed his 100 was a six (shown here) and the ball was lofted 120 yards right over the stand into the practice pitch behind—one of the biggest hits ever seen at Manchester.—Central Press Photo.

Davis Cup Play Has Always Been Dominated By One Nation Or Another

Says JOHN G. DIETRICH

Louisville, Kentucky, July 20.

Davis Cup domination by Australia and America for nearly two decades has not discouraged other nations from competing for the hallowed Punch Bowl, the man perhaps most responsible for the situation said today.

Australia's non-playing captain, Harry Hopman, scoffed at an idea recently circulated that European nations were tiring of competing for the Cup.

No other nation has even reached the Challenge Round, let alone won it since Great Britain lost the mug to Don Budge and his American cohorts in 1937. But Hopman hears no cry of "break up the Yankees—and the Aussies."

"Davis Cup play has always been dominated by one nation or another for certain periods," he said. "Sometimes France, sometimes England, lately the United States and us. In a few years it may well be somebody else."

POWERFUL SQUADS

Hopman gives much credit for Australia's powerful squads since World War II, made light of reports that some European

tennis moguls were talking about "seceding" from the Davis Cup set-up to organize a new European tournament.

"The European countries only playing for the Cup," he said. "Why, recently the Europeans took a vote on establishing a European tournament. You know what the vote was? Two votes for, 57 against."

Hopman believes that Italy is the nation coming up fastest in Cup play.

The Italians have an excellent team and I expect will be the European Zone winner," said the Australian leader.

Hopman was in a jovial mood after his team worked out yesterday on the Louisville Boat

Club's competition courts where they will play Brazil in a second-round tie this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

"I thought they looked quite keen," Hopman said. "Lew Hoad was hitting the ball well and I think he may be about to strike it."

"It is the top Cup form which Hopman has said the newly-wed Hoad has lacked lately."

Hoad teamed with Rex Hartwig yesterday to put on a dazzling display of power at the net in a brief doubles workout against Ken Rosewall and Neale Fraser.

The Brazilian team arrived last night and its leader, former Wimbledon Champion Bob Falkenburg bore out Hopman's contention that other nations are not discouraged about Davis Cup play.

Falkenburg stated confidently, "I've never gone into a match yet I didn't think I could win."—United Press.

Yankees' Coleman Does Not Have A Fractured Skull

Chicago, July 20.

Infield Jerry Coleman of the New York Yankees, struck on the head by a pitched ball on Tuesday night, does not have a fractured skull, as originally feared, it was announced by Dr. John Clardige, Chicago White Sox physician.

The injury was "nothing more than a concussion," he said, adding that Coleman would be able to play again next week.

The hard luck Coleman met with his unfortunate accident only hours after he returned to the active list following a three-week layoff with a broken collar bone suffered on April 22.

The popular second baseman was hit over the left eye in the seventh inning with a pitch thrown by White Sox pitcher Harry Byrd. Only for the fact that he wore a heavy plastic helmet did he escape serious injury.

THE SCORES

National League

Philadelphia, July 20. Saul Rogovin doled out five hits to Cincinnati Wednesday night and doubled home two runs as the Philadelphia Phillies whipped the Redlegs 6-0 in the first game of a two-light double-header. Andy Semplik accounted for three more runs with

his homer, after Del Ennis and Willie Jones barked in the fourth.

St. Louis Cardinals pounded four New York pitchers for 16 hits, including Stan Musial's 21st home run of the season to whip the Giants 6-2 Wednesday and moved into fifth place by a half game over the Philadelphia Phillies.

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RUSSIA'S BIG BOMBER NOT READY FOR THE FRAY

The recent air display near Moscow gave evidence that the Russians are striving not to be left behind the West in developing new aircraft and are giving a good impression of making up for lost time, says the Sunday Times Air Correspondent.

What they probably cannot telescope are the processes of turning a good design into a good operational instrument and the preparations on the ground which make a force of fighters into a successful defence force.

Russia has taken an enormous leap forward with her big strategic bomber. We saw it last year as a prototype; it was seen this year as in production, for nine were in the display. That swift advance is typical of Soviet methods, but it is no guarantee that this huge, four-jet bomber is ready or nearly ready for full operational use.

It is evidently much bigger than any of the British V-bombers although they too have four jets each. I judge the Russian bomber to be capable of something like 500 m.p.h. Its radius of action is probably 3,000 miles, which means that it could just reach the northern parts of the United States—places on the latitude of Chicago—by way of the Arctic. It is unlikely that its radius could be extended by using ice bases in the far north because of the immense difficulties encountered in making such bases efficient.

DESIGN FOR FUTURE
This bomber would not be fast enough to evade interception. Its characteristics suggest that it has a ceiling of about 40,000 ft. which would not give it a fair chance of escape and would impose on it all the handicaps in finding and bombing its target that radar and the intricate techniques associated with it alone can remove. It has wings swept back at a sharp angle, although the speed does not demand that refinement. The design is good. The disadvantage seems to lie in the engines which are unusually big by western standards and perhaps are not so advanced. The design may therefore be looking forward to the time when better engines can be substituted.

Doubts about the readiness of this bomber for the fray go some way to suggest the purpose of the big turbo-prop aircraft shown at the display. It is similar in some respects to the Britannia airliner, but bigger and probably faster. It has no windows.

It might be an army freighter, or a tanker to refuel the jet-bomber in the air. Or it could be a long-range bomber. In that form it should have a radius of action of about 4,000 miles and that would take it, over polar regions, right down into Texas. This aircraft, too, has swept-back wings, a puzzling feature in a type which apparently could not exceed 450 m.p.h.

Both these aircraft show the speed with which Russia can get into production when once a choice has been made. Resources are mobilised ruthlessly and the aircraft do come off the line at a great speed. There was an example of that in the copied B.20, of which the Russians had about 1,000 in an incredibly short time.

The four-jet bomber cannot be expected to multiply itself at the same rate, for it involves many more manhours, but it is clearly coming forward in some numbers. But without greatly

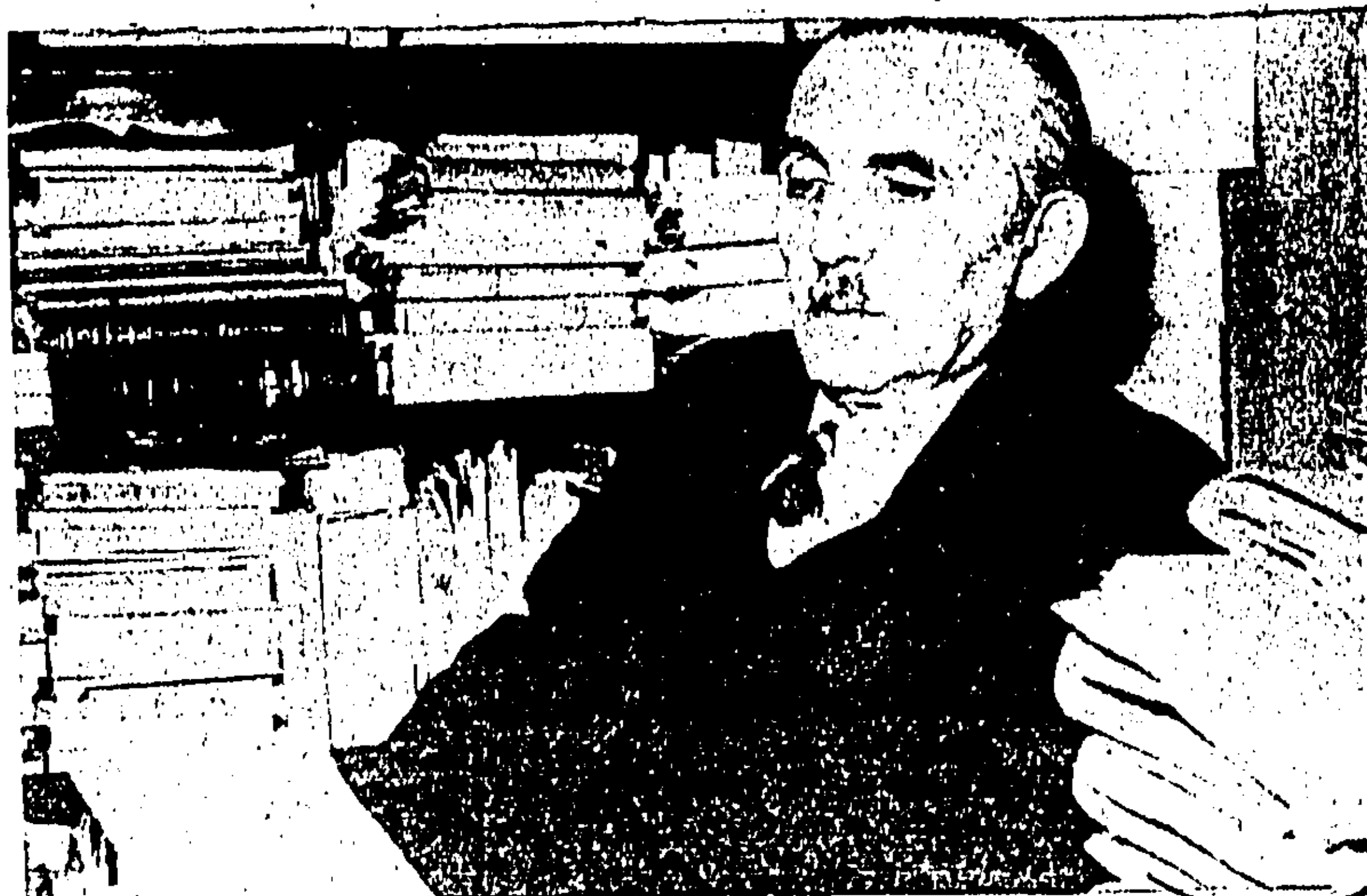
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Sunderland, July 20.
A 34-year-old Royal Air Force instructor was sentenced at a court martial near here to lose two years' seniority and to be severely reprimanded on two charges of negligence in causing the death of a spectator and damage to an aircraft.

Both the sentence and the findings of the court martial on Flight-Lieutenant Richard Vere Potts, holder of the Air Force Cross, are subject to confirmation by higher authority. Potts was flying a Chipmunk training plane when it crashed in an exercise near Otterburn, Northumberland, last April, killing six Durham University students and injuring eight others.

Potts, who pleaded not guilty to both charges said in evidence he could not recall the actual incident and medical evidence was given that he suffered from amnesia.

An Air Force officer, prosecuting, said it was hardly credible that the plane should be affected by mental failure at the precise moment it was being flown over spectators. — China Mail Special.



Nobel Prize Nominee

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By Surface:
Japan, Canada, 4 p.m.
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FRIDAY, JULY 22
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Formosa, Japan, Korea, 10 a.m.
Indo-China, 11 a.m.
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Japan, 6 p.m.
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By Surface:
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Malaya, Mauritius, P. M. Rhodesia & Mozambique P/P via L. Marques, 11 a.m.
Mexico, 2 p.m.
Philippines, 2 p.m.
Mexico, 6 p.m.

Eugen Reigl has been proposed by several international institutions for the Nobel Peace Prize and his nomination has been accepted by the Nobel Institute in Oslo. Born on March 2, 1895, at Yassy, Rumania, Reigl studies architecture, literature and philosophy at the University of Bucharest. He was employed on construction work and in factories for 7 years, but from 1912, when he published his first book of literary fantasies, up to 1952 when his books on R. Rolland, S. Zedig and the novel "Miron the Dead" in Spanish appeared he devoted 40 years to his multiple activities as poet, novelist, essayist, sociologist, etc. He lived through both World Wars regimes but always remained faithful to himself and to his ideals of culture and liberty. His work comprises 54 books in Rumanian which have been translated into 14 languages. He now travels through Europe taking part in Congresses for Culture and Peace. Exiled in 1947, he settled in Montevideo, Uruguay. — Express Photo.

EDEN SAYS "NO"

London, July 20.
The Government today rejected a suggestion by Sir Ian Fraser, a Conservative, that the name of the Colonial Office should be changed to one "more consonant with modern developments."

Mr. R. A. Butler, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, replying on behalf of the Prime Minister, said: "The Prime Minister regrets he cannot accept your suggestion to introduce legislation on this subject at the present time." — China Mail Special.

NO OBJECTION

Washington, July 20.
The Congressional Atomic Energy Committee reported today that it had found no objection to the new atomic exchange information agreements with Britain, Canada and Belgium.

The committee does not have to approve such pacts, but the agreements do not take effect for 30 days after signing to give Congressmen a chance to study them. The Committee heard testimony on all three agreements. — China Mail Special.

Egypt Awaits Her New Constitution BIG RALLY ON FRIDAY

Cairo, July 20.

Egyptians are looking forward with even more interest than usual to this year's anniversary of the Army coup d'etat for they will then be told by Lieutenant-Colonel Nasser, the Prime Minister, who was the master-mind behind the coup, what form of permanent government he proposes for them when the three-year transition period from a monarchy to a republic ends next January.

The Egyptian radio and loudspeakers will carry through the country the announcement to be made by Colonel Nasser at a mass rally in Cairo's Republic Square on the evening of July 22.

Colonel Nasser, the 37-year-old, strong man of Egypt, is expected to review the achievements of the military regime before he discloses the form of government of the presidential republic.

Recently, he said that the Revolution aimed to create a "sound socialist society" with a new parliamentary assembly where all sections of the nation would be represented—the professions, trade-unions, and farmer co-operatives, but no political parties.

A survey in censorship-free columns in the Egyptian press indicated a general trend of thought for a continuation of the Nasser regime assisted by a Consultative Assembly, one-third appointed, one-third vocational and one-third elected by direct polling.

No President

At present Egypt, still under martial law, is a republic without a president or parliament. The Cabinet, which has both legislative and executive powers, rules by decrees issued "in the name of the nation."

Colonel Nasser has acted as head of state since Major-General Mohammed Neguib, leader of the 1952 Army coup, was dismissed as president by the Army junta last November and accused of being the tool of Communists and the extreme rightwing Muslim Brotherhood who had joined forces in a plot

A Realist

He is a realist. He knows what he wants, and has no illusion about the practical difficulties that face him, and about the realities around him.

Dressed in a smart business suit, he is now no longer the shy, army conspirator, but a self-confident, buoyant, politician whose international prestige was greatly enhanced after the recent African-Asian Conference at Bandung.

He is the leading spirit of the new Egypt and takes his place in the vanguard of the emerging nationalist leaders who know how to strike a balance between demagoguery at home and moderation abroad.

On balance, despite the scepticism of certain financiers, the odium of a group of intellectuals and a growing alienation of the Arab world, there is probably not a village in Egypt where one can escape the impact of "Al Gumhuriya"—the republic led by Colonel Nasser, which, in the eyes of its supporters, is now dragging Egypt by the heels from her misery.

Already the Nasser Government has succeeded in dispersing with wheat imports which cost valuable foreign currency, while maintaining the level of cotton production, which is the mainstay of the national economy.

The land reform which has broken the core of the feudalistic system of the pashas, particularly the reduction of farm rents and the provision of better seed corn to the fellah, is making slow but solid progress.

During the Liberation Festival, Colonel Nasser will distribute more land to landless peasants. To date 125,000 acres of land owned by ex-King Farouk, the former royal family and some ex-pashas, have been given to fellahs.

Striving

The Revolution Government is striving to improve the conditions of the peasants and workers by an enormous expansion of primary schools and, in the countryside, building community centres, consisting of cottages, hospitals, village schools and agricultural training centres for adults. All this is paid for out of the \$70,000,000 seized from Farouk's property.

Mudrich el Tahrir, or Liberation Province, an enormous agricultural area which is being reclaimed by irrigation from the Western Desert, is the regime's showpiece. Sweet-water-melons, mangoes and other juicy tropical fruit from Tahrir Province will be distributed to the hundreds of thousands of visitors who will flock into Cairo from Upper Egypt and the Delta for this year's great Liberation Festival.

Today, Colonel Nasser and the ruling junta depend on the "Dobab el Ahram" or the Army clique which put them to power and the 300,000-strong General Transport Union, which lent a useful hand during "the Nasser crisis" as well as in the half-a-dozen other plots to topple the regime. — Express Photo.

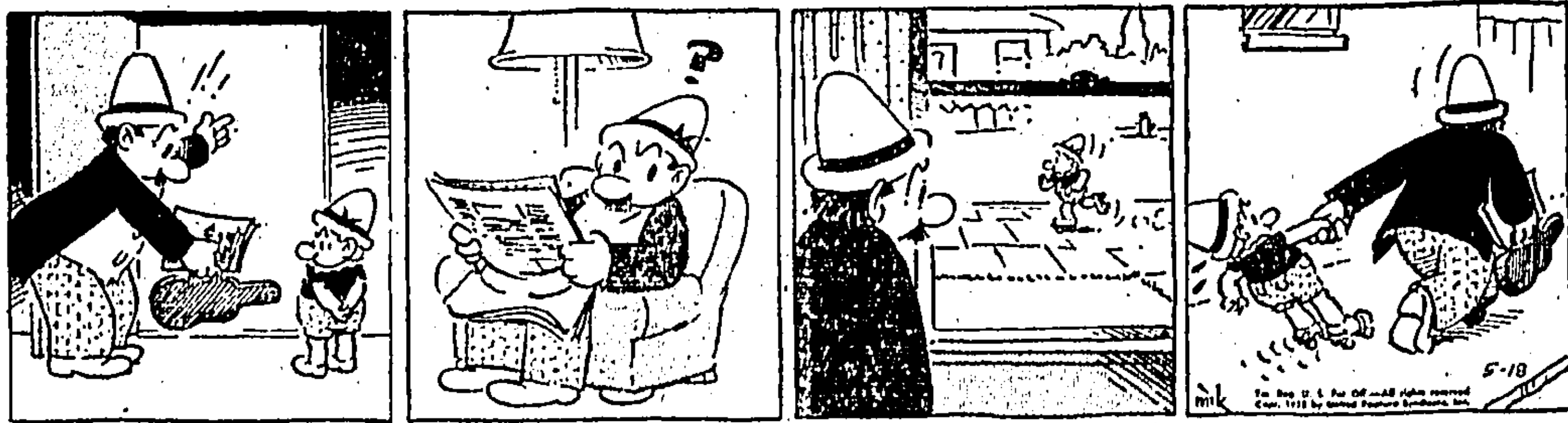
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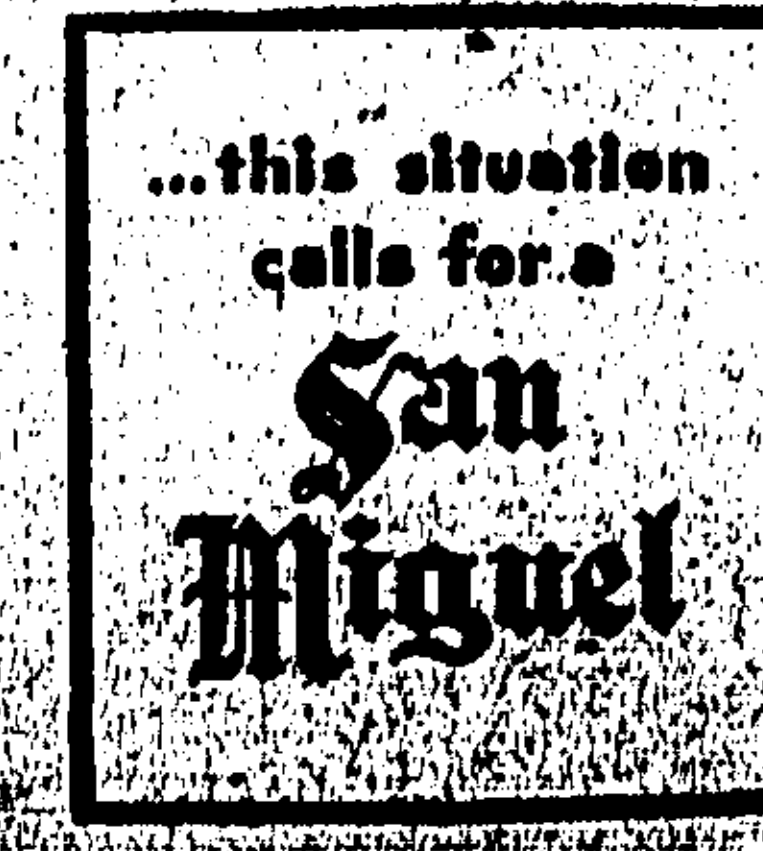
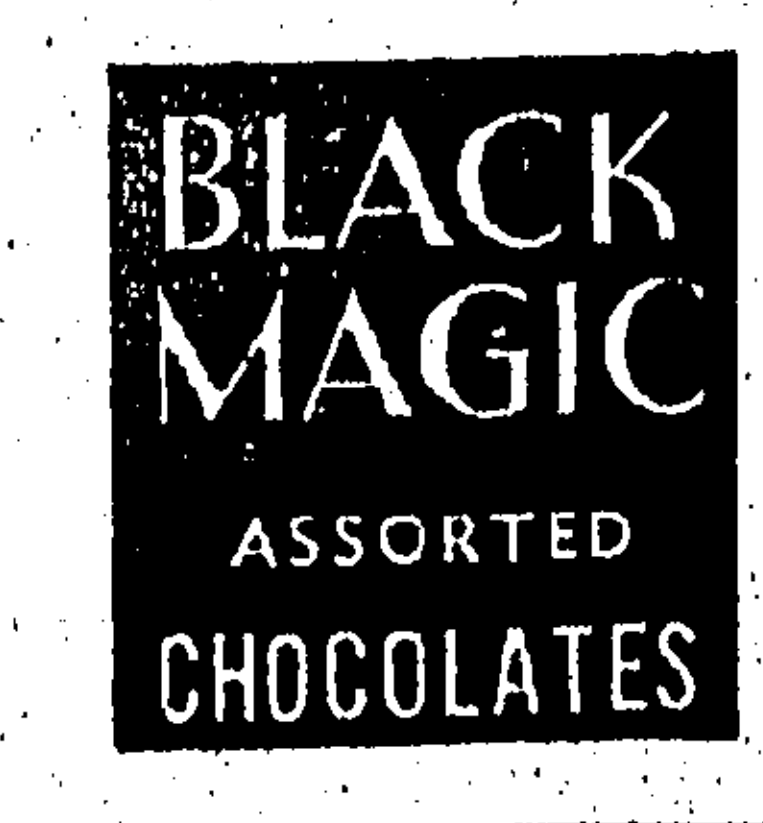
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JOHN CLARKE'S CASEBOOK

The Ring Of Rose's

SHE was neatly turned out, with a black coat, and a scarlet hat that sat becomingly on her crisply curled black hair. A plump woman of 43, whose name was Rose.

She came into the dock of Sir Lawrence Dunn's court at Bow Street, with a never a glance about her, composed, self-contained.

"There are two charges of embezzlement against you," said the learned clerk. "It is said that on one day you took £1 15s. and on another £1 15s. the money of your employer."

Rose pleaded guilty to both charges. The gaoler motioned her to sit down, as the solicitor for the employers rose.

TEST-PURCHASES

"THIS woman," the solicitor said, worked as a sales assistant in my clients' shop. In consequence of deficiencies, some test purchases were made. A blouse was bought. She did not give a receipt nor pay in the money handed to her. On the second occasion, two articles were bought; she paid in the money for only one of them."

Rose listened. No interest in what was being said showed on her face. She might have been listening to a speaker on a boring subject. She might have been in a coma. Except for her hands. These worked continuously, the fingers of the right furiously twisting the wedding ring on the third finger of the other. It was as though the ring were a charm that would ward off all ill and draw all danger from the story being told.

ANOTHER SUM

"WHEN she was challenged," the solicitor went on, "she admitted taking another sum of £1 4s. She wishes this to be taken into consideration."

Rose looked straight ahead, still working the ring. Round and round and round, she twisted it.

A policeman went into the witness-box and told the chief magistrate what he knew of Rose's history, but nothing that explained what had made her steal.

SUSPICION

SHE was married, had a daughter of 21, a husband who worked as a porter in a factory. Their home was in a respectable-sounding suburb. There, Rose had been an assistant in a grocer's shop until coming to work in the West End. Her pay there had been £5 10s. 3d. a week. Nothing was said of what her husband earned, or her daughter.

"Did she offer any explanation?" Sir Lawrence asked.

"No explanation at all, sir," the officer replied.

"Has there been a fairly steady stream of deficiencies?" "Yes, sir."

"About a dozen," the officer said, and agreed that suspicion for Rose's thefts had fallen upon them all.

A KIND OF PRIDE

THE Chief Magistrate asked Rose what she wanted to say. She rose to her feet, and furiously worked on her wedding ring. The chain, the tell-tale, had got to work now. Speech was a long time coming. Then, only one word. "Temple."

"Rose said."

"Yes, but it wasn't just a simple temptation," said Sir Lawrence. "This sort of thing can't be pardoned. You must go to prison for two months."

Rose gave no cry of protest. There was no expression of dismay on her face. She picked up her morning paper and her handbag from the dock seat, and walked briskly away towards prison. Whatever the private reasons were that had made her steal, they were private still. There was a kind of pride in the manner of her leaving.

Spies Executed

London, July 21.

Two Hungarians, said to be American spies, have been executed after being sentenced to death by the military section of the Hungarian Supreme Court in Budapest, the Hungarian news agency-MTI reported today.

Zhukov's Prominence At Geneva Causes Speculation

Geneva, July 20.

Marshal Georgi Zhukov has been pushed onto the stage of international diplomacy by the Kremlin and led right down to the footlights by President Eisenhower.

Why do the most powerful men in Washington and Moscow want to make a star diplomatic performer out of the Soviet armed forces chief? Both East and West seem determined to get the most out of the personal friendship between Eisenhower and Zhukov.

There is a suspicion the Kremlin may be setting up Zhukov as a scapegoat if Moscow's new "soft line" fails to make expected gains.

If the cold war goes over again Premier Nikolai Bulganin and Communist Party boss Nikita Khrushchev might blame Zhukov and his highly publicized friendship with Eisenhower.

One argument goes this way: if former secret police chief Lavrenti P. Beria can be blamed for the break with Tito, what's to stop the Russians from saying any failure of a relaxed Soviet policy was due to a Zhukov-Eisenhower plot?

But a more general view among Moscow observers and diplomats gathered here is that Zhukov's prominence reflects the growing influence of the Soviet armed forces on Russian policy. They feel Bulganin and Khrushchev know, and Eisenhower believes, that the views of the Soviet armed forces and their boss must be taken into account when determining Kremlin policy.

INDEPENDENT CONTROL

In this connection, they say Zhukov apparently has enough independent control over those forces so that his presence was important for disarmament and security decisions which might be taken in Geneva.

The presence here of Zhukov and Khrushchev underlines a belief that there are three main forces ruling Russia today—the Soviet government, the Communist Party, and the armed forces. The best-informed diplomats in Moscow believe that under the current uneasy system of committee rule the armed forces have a large measure of independence and express views which must be respected.

One result possibly has been to impress on the civilian

Hard Going At Geneva

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ministers whether they could suggest machinery to study when a conference should be called to consider in detail both problems.

He said he was sure the Russians desired peace as earnestly as the Americans. He said the foreign ministers should try to "build a bridge between conflicting East-West views."

The problem of building the bridge could hardly be solved in detail in the time available here, he said. But the summit conference must not end without the delegations having shown they were honestly working for peace.

CORDIAL ATMOSPHERE

When this afternoon's meeting broke up the delegations left the Palace of Nations looking serious, in contrast to the smiles which marked the end of earlier sessions. But a British spokesman said the meeting took place in a cordial atmosphere.

A feeling of pessimism had been evident in conference circles this morning following a two-hour meeting of the foreign ministers at which they discussed the "interrelated" problems of German unity and European security.

Western sources said that the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Molotov, gave "evasive" answers to Western attempts to clarify the Soviet attitude to German unity.

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WARY EYE ON CHINA

Moreover, Westerners in Moscow have gained the impression that the Soviet armed forces are keeping a wary eye on Red China with her practically inexhaustible manpower.

Russia's policy for a hundred years was to keep a weak China along the longest land frontier in the world. Experts doubt if ideological considerations have caused the Soviet army to revise its views completely. It is a strongly held belief in influential diplomatic circles that Zhukov's armed forces are urging better relations with the West so the Soviet Union can keep a sharper eye on China.—Associated Press.

Absent Juror Fined \$50 & Warned

A warning that any future failure to attend for jury service would be met with a stiffer penalty was given by Mr. Justice J. R. Gregg, acting Senior Judge, at the Criminal Sessions this morning, when he fined Mr. Roger Pennels, garage service manager, \$50 for not answering his name when called to serve on a jury at a criminal trial.

On his appearance this morning, Mr. Pennels was asked to step into the witness box and take the oath.

His Lordship then told Mr. Pennels that on two occasions he had failed to attend the Criminal Sessions and asked if he could give a reasonable explanation under oath for his failure to attend.

TOO BUSY

Mr. Pennels said his explanation for his absence yesterday (Wednesday) was that his job as a garage service manager kept him quite busy, and at the moment he had also to assist in the office work due to various staff members being away sick. Although he knew he should have been at Court yesterday, there was so much work to do that he felt he could not leave.

Mr. Justice Gregg asked if he could not at least have informed the Registrar of the Court that he could not attend if he had a reasonable excuse. Instead he had left it to the Court to summon him to appear.

"It is your duty as a citizen of this country to lend your assistance to the public as a juror," His Lordship went on. "It is your privilege and your duty to do so. The least I can do in the circumstances is to fine you \$50, and let this be a warning to you that if you are summoned to appear in future and you fail to do so, the fine will be substantially increased."

Mr. Pennels was then allowed to leave the Court.

Says Cat Meat Good For Him

Charged before Mr. W. S. Collier at Kowloon Court this morning with slaughtering two cats for food, Li Nang claimed that the cat meat was good for his health. He added that he was suffering from some internal injuries which could be healed by eating cat meat.

Defendant, who had a clear record, was sentenced to 14 days in prison for slaughtering the cats in Fuk Wing Street, Kowloon, on July 18 by a police constable.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"If he makes that much money, he'd surely buy some insurance if you tell him you never miss a game he's in on TV!"

Cable & Wireless Explain

Cable and Wireless told the China Mail this morning that their decision to charge for the registration of telegraphic addresses as from October 1 is the result of instructions from the Head Office in London to fall in line with government and telegraphic companies throughout the world.

Ever since Cable and Wireless set up its offices in Hongkong the registration of telegraphic addresses has been free and anyone could register. There are now 25,000 registered addresses for Hongkong, some firms having as many as 30 registered addresses.

According to Cable and Wireless the registering of addresses requires a large staff, the installation of addressing machines, and a large amount of office space.

Under the International Telegraphic Regulations companies are permitted to make a charge for registering addresses if they wish.

In the United Kingdom to register an address involving inland and overseas cables costs £3 a year; in the United States of America the charge is US\$12 a year. Similar fees are also charged in Japan, the Philippines, and other countries.

In Hongkong the charge as from October 1 will be \$30 a year, \$15 for six months and \$8 for three months.

Radio Hongkong

11:00. Time Signal and Programme Summary: 0.30. Jazz Half Hour presented by Robert A. Scher (Studio); 0.30. Portuguese Half Hour (Studio); 7. Sidney Torch (Studio); 8.00. News (Studio); 8.15. News (Studio); 8.30. News (Studio); 8.45. News (Studio); 9.00. News (Studio); 9.15. News (Studio); 9.30. News (Studio); 9.45. News (Studio); 10.00. News (Studio); 10.15. News (Studio); 10.30. News (Studio); 10.45. News (Studio); 11.00. News (Studio); 11.15. News (Studio); 11.30. News (Studio); 11.45. News (Studio); 12.00. News (Studio); 12.15. News (Studio); 12.30. News (Studio); 12.45. News (Studio); 1.00. News (Studio); 1.15. News (Studio); 1.30. News (Studio); 1.45. News (Studio); 2.00. News (Studio); 2.15. News (Studio); 2.30. News (Studio); 2.45. News (Studio); 3.00. News (Studio); 3.15. News (Studio); 3.30. News (Studio); 3.45. News (Studio); 4.00. News (Studio); 4.15. News (Studio); 4.30. News (Studio); 4.45. News (Studio); 5.00. News (Studio); 5.15. News (Studio); 5.30. 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